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He is a Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of the State of Montana near this Grand Jurisdiction. He holds honorary membership in seven Commanderies in the New England States.

SCOTTISH RITE: He became a member of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection 14°, in February 1959; Giles F. Yates Council Princes of Jerusalem 16°, February 1959; Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix 18°, February 1959 and Massachusetts Consistory S.P.R.S. 32° on February 1959 serving as a Guard since 1960.

SHRINE: He became a member of Aleppo Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. of Boston, Massachusetts and is also a member of Omar Grotto M.O.V.P.E.R. of Boston, Massachusetts.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS: He is a member of the Wakefield Lodge of Elks No. 1276, the Hancock Sportsmen's Club, Inc., Hancock, New Hampshire, a 30 year veteran member of the National Council Boy Scouts of America in Winchester 1947-1949 and was invested with the Silver Beaver Award in January 1951, a trustee of the Stoneham Savings Bank since 1958 and in 1950-1952 served as the Chairman of the United Fund for the Stoneham District.

MILITARY SERVICE: He was Chief Petty Officer of the U.S. Coast Guard (Inactive) during World War II.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, Inc.

AND

THE APPENDANT ORDERS

OF

MASSACHUSETTS and RHODE ISLAND

for the YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 19, 1967

GEORGE C. PATTON, JR., *Grand Commander*

October 11, 1966 to September 19, 1967

G. BURTON LONG, *Grand Recorder*

Boston, Massachusetts

1967

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REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

of the

GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

at the

164th ANNUAL CONCLAVE

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, SEPTEMBER 19, 1967

The One Hundred and Sixty-fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island convened in full form at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday, September 19, 1967, in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, Boston, Massachusetts. Sir Knight George C. Patton, Jr., Grand Commander, presiding. Divine blessing was invoked by the Reverend and E. Sir W. Irving Monroe, Jr., Grand Prelate.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Credential Committee reported that there were 120 Sir Knights present, representing 37 Commanderies, 27 presiding Commanders were present.

GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS PRESENT

GRAND COMMANDER.....R. E. Sir George C. Patton, Jr.
DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER.....V. E. Sir Gordon C. Player
GRAND GENERALISSIMO.....E. Sir Norman L. Staveley
GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL.....E. Sir Jack Richard Baker
GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.....E. Sir Elmer H. Palmer
GRAND PRELATE.....E. Sir Rev. W. Irving Monroe, Jr.
GRAND TREASURER.....R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.
GRAND RECORDER.....R. E. Sir G. Burton Long
GRAND STANDARD BEARER.....E. Sir James C. Sirios
GRAND SWORD BEARER.....E. Sir Thorsten B. Lind
GRAND WARDER.....E. Sir Leonard H. Hoft
GRAND CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD.....E. Sir L. Raymond Wyatt
GRAND SENTINEL.....E. Sir George M. Sanford, Jr.
INSPECTOR INSTRUCTOR.....E. Sir Thomas C. Brown

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R. E. Sir Harold W. Sprague
R. E. Sir Harold S. Crocker
R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.
R. E. Sir Mortimer W. Schroeder
R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake
R. E. Sir Raymond D. Douglass
R. E. Sir Louis A. Beaudoin
R. E. Sir G Burton Long

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Now, if the Officers who have been chosen to present the GRAND OFFICERS will retire at this time, I will send out immediately to receive them.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Em. Grand Captain of the Guard, you will form an escort for the Committee.

(The Escort and Committee retired and returned to the Asylum with the following Distinguished Guests)

Sir Knight Neil Raymond Baker, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K.T. of New York, Rt. Em. Frederick H. Stahl, Past Grand Commander and Em. Sir William Koehler, Past Commander of DeWitt Clinton Commandery.
Introduced by R. E. Sir Louis A. Beaudoin

Sir Knight Walter H. Stanford, Past Grand Commander and perosnal representative of Rt. Em. Lawrence J. Ranck, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Virginia
Introduced by Em. Sir James C. Bayley

Sir Knight Frank W. Bailey, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Vermont and Rt. Em. Franklyn Churchill, Jr. Past Grand Commander
Introduced by Em. Sir Chester E. Oldmixon

Sir Knight John A. Fitzgerald, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of New Hampshire and Sir Kt. Edmund B. Hanson, Grand Inspector General for the State of New Hampshire
Introduced by R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake

Sir Knight Edwin H. Raymond, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Connecticut and V. E. Deputy Grand Commander Ralph Kalp
Introduced by Em. Sir Harold A. Budreau

Sir Knight George E. Berry, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Maine and Rt. Em. Sir Charles H. Peterson
Introduced by R. E. Sir Raymond D. Douglass

Sir Knight William T. Greene, Jr., Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of New Jersey, Rt. Em. Sir Gordon Brenner, Past Grand Commander and present Grand Recorder and Em. Sir Kenneth L. Reed, Grand Standard Bearer
Introduced by R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.

Sir Knight Eston E. Burge, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the District of Columbia
Introduced by R. E. Sir Harold S. Crocker

Sir Knight and Ill. Laurence E. Eaton 33° Active, Deputy for Massachusetts Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
Introduced by R. E. Sir Harold W. Sprague

Most Ill. Frank W. Balcomb, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters in Massachusetts and Most Ill. John E. Johnson, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Rhode Island
Introduced by Em. Sir Allen Campbell, Jr.

Most Ex. Charles A. Cross, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts and Most Ex. Alfred Bateman, Grand King of the Grand Royal Chapter of Rhode Island and personal representative of Most Ex. Wallace C. Adams, Grand High Priest of Rhode Island
Introduced by R. E. Sir Mortimer W. Schroeder

Sir Knight Willard Meredith Avery, R. E. Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment K. T. of U. S. A. and the personal representative of Most Eminent Grand Master Sir Knight John Lawton Crofts, Sr., and Inspecting Officer
Introduced by R. E. Sir G. Burton Long

Sir Knight J. Henry Johnson, Rt. Wor. Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts and the personal representative of Most Wor. Thomas A. Booth, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts and Sir Knight Robert W. Markham, Jr., Most Wor. Grand Master of Masons in the state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Introduced by Em. Sir Robert P. Beach

THE GRAND COMMANDER: At this time, we will have the ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

(The Grand Recorder called the Roll Call of Grand Representatives who assembled in the East before the Commander.)

ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama ..... Em. Sir William Turner
Arizona ..... R. E. Sir Louis A. Beaudoin
Arkansas ..... Em. Sir Robert M. MacKenzie
California ..... Em. Sir Saunders W. Spooner
Colorado ..... Em. Sir Robert E. Powell
Connecticut ..... Em. Sir Harold A. Budreau
District of Columbia ..... R. E. Sir Harold S. Crocker
Florida ..... R. E. Sir Dwight C. Page
Georgia ..... R. E. Sir G. Burton Long
Illinois ..... Em. Sir Norman P. Smith
Indiana ..... Em. Sir Leonard H. Hoft
Kansas ..... Em. Sir James C. Bayley
Kentucky ..... Em. Sir Frank G. Holt, Jr.
Maine ..... R. E. Sir Raymond D. Douglass
Maryland ..... R. E. Sir Mortimer W. Schroeder
Montana ..... R. E. Sir George C. Patton, Jr.
Nebraska ..... Em. Sir C. Leigh Kingsford
Nevada ..... Em. Sir Allan Campbell, Jr.
New Hampshire ..... R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake
New Jersey ..... R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.
New Mexico ..... Em. Sir Charles D. Harrington
North Carolina ..... V. E. Sir Gordon C. Player
North Dakota ..... Em. Sir Albert E. C. Carpenter
Ohio ..... Em. Sir James C. Sirios
Oregon ..... Em. Sir George Ringchrist
Pennsylvania ..... Em. Sir Thomas C. Brown
South Carolina ..... Em. Sir T. Legare Fenn
South Dakota ..... Em. Sir Clayton F. Fisher
Tennessee ..... Em. Sir Chester G. Parsons
Texas ..... Em. Sir Norman L. Staveley
Vermont ..... Em. Sir Chester E. Oldmixon
Virginia ..... Em. Sir Frank W. Balcomb
Washington ..... R. E. Sir Harold W. Sprague
West Virginia ..... Em. Sir Laurence E. Eaton
Wyoming ..... R. E. Sir Kenneth H. Earle
Wisconsin ..... Em. Sir Robert P. Beach

REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER

Boston, Massachusetts
September 19, 1967

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Greetings:

It gives me much pleasure to extend to you my fraternal greetings and to welcome you to this the One Hundred and Sixty-Fourth Annual Conclave of this, the oldest Grand Commandery in the Grand Encampment of the United States of America.

I do greet with enthusiasm the representatives of our sister Templar Jurisdictions and I extend a real special

welcome to the representatives of the other York Rite and Scottish Rite bodies of both Massachusetts and Rhode Island. As you know, we are the only dual State Jurisdiction in Templary. Thus, we owe allegiance to two Most Worshipful Grand Masters, Two Most Excellent High Priests, and two Most Illustrious Grand Masters, as well as many other Masonic organizations in both Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

A most hearty welcome is extended to the representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, Sir Knight John L. Crofts, who is Sir Knight Willard M. Avery, Right Eminent Grand Captain General and a Past Right Eminent Grand Commander of the State of Indiana, also our recently appointed Department Commander of the North Atlantic Department, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, Sir Knight Frank L. Bourke, and a Right Eminent Past Grand Commander of the State of Maine.

I am very grateful for the honor and privilege that you entrusted to my care when you elected me to the high station of Grand Commander of this Grand Commandery on October 11, 1966, and I trust that the record of this Templar year will justify your confidence in my ability. At the outset, I had every reason to believe that after over forty years in my business, I was to be granted by a very fine and generous employer as much time as was necessary to pursue the important business of the Grand Commandery. That was, however, before the underworld declared war upon the Armored Car Operators in the United States and Canada. I was able, through their help and understanding, to attend to most of my visitations and duties. Some of them had to be foregone when it was necessary for me to help in our crisis. I have made many friends in traveling around the North Atlantic Department. I have but to look at the calendar to realize the relentless passing of time and I am very humble in my gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe for blessing me with the health and strength to permit me to fulfill to the best of my ability the duties of the office of Grand Commander.

At the start of my term of office last October, I remarked that we could expect at least 425 deaths in our membership. How close I was to that prediction is born out by the number recorded as of June 30, 1967. There were many distinguished Templars, Grand Officers and Past

Commanders who have sheathed their swords for the last time in this earthly asylum. Among them were:

Sir Knight Karsten H. Sandmo—Eminent Grand Senior Warden
Died June 25, 1967

Eminent Past Commander Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34—Medford, Mass.

Sir Knight William T. O'Neil—Eminent Associate Grand Prelate
Died March 27, 1967

Eminent Past Commander Springfield Commandery No. 6—Springfield, Mass.

My God, My Father, while we stray
Far from our homes on life's dark way
Oh, teach us from our hearts to say,
Thy Will be done.

We will now suspend and listen to the Report of the Committee on Necrology and pay further tribute to all of our departed Sir Knights.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

September 19, 1967

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Members of This Grand Commandery of Knights Templar

Sir Knights:—

Words are poor tools with which to fashion the appreciation which all our hearts would like to express today. The distance between abstractions and living reality is always great, but never more baffling than when we try to state the meaning conveyed by those who lived intimately with us and gave themselves fully to the Great Emmanuel whom we serve through this great fraternity.

I am helped, however, by noting that for all who share the Christian hope, our Sir Knights touch us today, as they did when they were still with us, at the point where we most need renewal and confirmation in the work of Templary and Christian living. In this memorial, they have given me the words which I bring to you. "The darkness does not blot out the stars; it only makes them shine more brightly." This thought, joined with that of the poet of old

who said, "The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord," suggests the ways in which our Sir Knights let their light shine upon us.

First, they brought to us the light of faith, victory beyond defeat, triumph beyond tragedy. They looked for a city with foundations whose builder and maker is God.

Second, they brought to us the light of truth; more than correct ideas and logic. Christian living means living for God in the service of man.

Third, they brought to us the light of love. This was shown by their spirit of utter self-giving which marked their daily work.

Records tell that 410 Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery have passed on during this year and we now record our love and concern, our tribute and our sympathy to their loved ones, to the loved ones of deceased Sir Knights of other jurisdictions we extend our sympathy.

"O Love, that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depth its flow
May richer, fuller be."

Today the lives of our Sir Knights are richer, fuller, crowned with eternal glory, enshrined forever in the heart of God. We hear the echo of the trumpets which have sounded for them on the other side. We see the lights they have left to guide us in our journey—the light of faith, the light of truth, the light of love.

Courteously submitted,
Rev. W. Irving Monroe, Jr.
For the Committee

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Commandery	*Past Commander*	*Date of Death*
Boston No. 2	Frank Brown Ells	May 4, 1967
Washington No. 4	James Peter Luth	June 24, 1966
	Ludlow P. Mahan	June 18, 1967
Worcester County No. 5	John W. Abbott	April 17, 1967
	Burt Leroy Knowles	Feb. 2, 1967
Springfield No. 6	Nathan S. Garrison	Mar. 12, 1966
	William J. O'Neil	Mar. 27, 1967
De Molay No. 7	Ernest Dudley Chase	Aug. 26, 1966

Holy Sepulchre No. 8	John M. Cochran	Jan.	18, 1967
Pilgrim No. 9	Alvah Hunt Weaver	Aug.	16, 1966
Palestine No. 10	Olaf Tveekren	Feb.	21, 1967
Haverhill No. 14	Frederick James Caswell	Dec.	7, 1966
Sutton No. 16	Harry Ostenfield	May	13, 1967
St. Omer No. 21	Kingdom R. Watt	April	15, 1967
Connecticut Valley No. 23	Harold H. Greene	May	27, 1967
	Frank A. Millett	Oct.	21, 1966
Narragansett No. 27	Herbert Edward Sisson	June	4, 1966
	John Francis Dobrednia	Sept.	20, 1966
Bristol No. 29	Lewis Sheperd Chilson	Nov.	13, 1966
Northampton No. 30	Frank G. Maguire	Dec.	2, 1966
Natick No. 33	Rodney Sumner Adams	Mar.	9, 1967
	Earl Lesley Hatch	Mar.	21, 1967
Coeur de Lion No. 34	Karsten H. Sandmo	June	25, 1967
Gethsemane No. 35	Harold L. Burr	Sept.	20, 1966
Athol No. 37	Percy L. Colon	Dec.	17, 1966
	Raymond Henry Watson	June	28, 1967
Cyprus No. 39	Harry E. Astley	July	3, 1966
Cambridge No. 42	James Foster	April	17, 1967
	Henrik A. Osterlund	Feb.	9, 1967
Ivanhoe No. 46	Alvin C. Booth	Feb.	28, 1967
	Henry A. Fisher	April	5, 1967
Quincy No. 47	Earl Congo Stevenson	April	6, 1967
Reading No. 50	Raymond D. Toothaker	Oct.	24, 1966
	Fred Burns Bell	Feb.	13, 1967
Thomas Smith Webb No. 51	George Arthur White, Jr.	Dec.	27, 1966

IN MEMORIAM

DECEASED PAST GRAND COMMANDERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Alabama	R. E. Sir Henry J. Porter, Jr.	Nov.	4, 1966
Arizona	R. E. Sir Carey Burleson Wilson	Oct.	28, 1966
California	R. E. Sir Grand Arden Van Valin	Feb.	18, 1967
Iowa	R. E. Sir Thomas E. Brobyn	June	19, 1966
	R. E. Sir Earl H. Winders	Dec.	13, 1966
Kentucky	R. E. Sir William Julian Blake	Sept.	17, 1966
	R. E. Sir Wm. Allen Armstrong	Jan.	27, 1967
New York	R. E. Sir E. Stanley Pier	Nov.	22, 1966
Ohio	R. E. Sir Sydney C. Partridge	Aug.	16, 1966
	R. E. Sir Earl T. Armesy	Oct.	21, 1966
	R. E. Sir Lachlan M. MacDonald	June	18, 1967
Oklahoma	R. E. Sir Wallace R. Pearson, Sr.	June	14, 1967
Oregon	R. E. Sir Lot Livermore Snodgrass	Oct.	6, 1966
Maryland	R. E. Sir Adam Brown Caldwell	May	14, 1967
Mississippi	R. E. Sir Oscar Hartness Johnson	Dec.	5, 1966
New Jersey	R. E. Sir Myron Wilbur West	June	19, 1966
New Mexico	R. E. Sir John W. Hanners	Dec.	26, 1966
New York	R. E. Sir Harry Sanford Banks	April	16, 1967
Pennsylvania	R. E. Sir William E. Montgomery	Feb.	4, 1967
	R. E. Sir George M. West	May	18, 1967
South Dakota	R. E. Sir Ernest A. Jones	Mar.	14, 1967
Tennessee	R. E. Sir James Walker Kerr	Feb.	4, 1967
Vermont	R. E. Sir Aaron Hinman Grout	Dec.	29, 1966
Virginia	R. E. Sir Frank Allerton	April	11, 1967
Wisconsin	R. E. Sir Roy Holly	Feb.	10, 1967
	R. E. Sir Elbert Willard Miller	Feb.	13, 1967
Wyoming	R. E. Sir Soren G. Jensen	July	28, 1966

OTHER GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Colorado	Sir Knight Harry Webb Bundy, Grand Recorder	July	5, 1967

RECEPTION

On Friday evening, November 4, 1966, Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20 K. T., Melrose, Mass. held a wonderful Reception, Dinner, and Entertainment at the Diplomat in Saugus, Mass. in my honor. Sir Knight Lester W. Bowen, the Eminent Commander, and Sir Knights Roy M. Reed and Robert E. Lewis, as heads of the Committee arranged an outstanding successful affair. I am very grateful for the many Sir Knights, their lovely ladies, and friends who attended and contributed to an evening which will be remembered by me forever. I am also grateful for the beautiful Chapeau and Past Grand Commander's belt that was presented to me. I shall wear them in humility and remember those whose generosity provided them.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

It is with pride that I acknowledge Honorary Membership in the following Commanderies:

Winslow Lewis Commandery No. 18—Salem, Mass.
Bristol Commandery No. 29—Attleboro, Mass.
St. Paul Commandery No. 40—North Adams, Mass.
Orange Commandery No. 45—Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46—Gardner, Mass.

I will endeavor at all time to be worthy of these honors.

VISITATIONS

It was my privilege to represent this Grand Commandery on some 88 different occasions. Mrs. Patton and I attended the Grand Conclaves in New Jersey, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, District of Columbia, Vermont, and New York. It was also our privilege to attend the Easter Sunrise Service on April 12, 1967 at Arlington National Cemetery. The Rev. Howard R. Towne, D.D., Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, gave the message. The United States Marine Band and United States Army Chorus furnished the music. Following the service, a Cross of Lillies was placed at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We then attended a fine breakfast at the Hotel Willard spon-

sored by the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia.

We also were received with honors by the Masonic Grand Bodies of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at all times.

A complete list of my visitations will be on file in the Grand Commandery Offcie.

DIVISIONS

For the last three years the divisions were broken down into geographical line. This seemed to solve many problems with the exception of the fact that one officer had to spend most of his time in the Western part of Massachusetts. I requested Sir Knight Louis A. Beaudoin, Past Grand Commander, to act as Co-ordinator and Commander of the new Western Division, which assignment he graciously accepted, with each of the Inspecting Officers taking one of the inspections of these eight Commanderies, with the exception of the Grand Captain of the Guard who had two Commanderies. As follows:

Springfield No. 6—Inspected by the Grand Generalissimo
Berkshire No. 22—Inspected by the Grand Captain General
Connecticut Valley No. 23—Inspection by the Grand Senior Warden
Northampton No. 30—Inspected by the Grand Junior Warden
Athol No. 37—Inspected by the Grand Standard Bearer
St. Paul No. 40—Inspected by the Grand Sword Bearer
Orange No. 45—Inspected by the Grand Captain of the Guard
St. Andrew No. 49—Inspected by the Grand Captain of the Guard

MARKING

In the year 1966-1967, the marking was again done by a corps of Marking Officers under the direction of Sir Knight Thomas C. Brown, Eminent Inspector Instructor of the Grand Commandery.

The Marking Officers were as follows:

Sir Knight Wilbur F. Garabedian, Eminent Past Commander of Natick Commandery No. 33
Sir Knight Norman R. Lowe, Eminent Past Commander of Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19

Sir Knight William F. Raymond, Eminent Past Commander of Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8
Sir Knight Wayne E. Soucey, Eminent Past Commander of Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
Sir Knight Warren C. Wilson, Eminent Past Commander of Athol Commander No. 37

I do want to let these dedicated Sir Knights know how very grateful the Grand Commandery is for their dedicated service and to compliment them. They were fair and most courteous in their application and judgement of the Ritual and Tactics. Thank you, Sir Knights.

MEMBERSHIP

This year, the quota was based upon 850 petitions for membership, but only 370 were knighted, so again we show a net loss of 258, which is a larger loss than last year. This is no doubt the greatest disappointment of the year to me. Although we can give many reasons for this, such as the prerequisite bodies having shown larger losses, the fact remains that we could have done much better, had we only worked a bit harder and devoted a greater effort to this endeavor. Our Membership Committee was appointed by districts under the Chairmanship of Sir Knight Ralph L. Connelly E.P.C. who did his level best to stir up enthusiasm throughout the whole year. Not receiving the full support of the Constituent Commanderies, some of whom only had figure-heads for their Membership Committee and some Commanderies who did not even appoint a Membership Committee, is was a most difficult assignment. I personally thank those whose efforts produced the lion's share of our candidates this year. I just wonder how long we can survive continuing to show these annual losses. I believe that the quota system can work if we will all work at it.

YORK RITE FESTIVALS

Three York Rite Festivals were held as follows:

1—Bay State Commandery No. 38—Brockton, Massachusetts on Saturday, February 4, 1967
2—Springfield Commandery No. 6—Springfield, Massachusetts on Saturday, March 4, 1967
3—Hugh de Payens Commandery 20—Melrose, Massachusetts on Saturday, April 22, 1967

At most of these meetings, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter and the Grand Master of the Grand

Council or their representatives were present. Due to the fact that I was out of the state on March 4, I was unable to attend the Festival at Springfield.

These meetings were very well attended and aided in securing a large portion of the candidates this year. They afford an opportunity for those prospective candidates who cannot wait for the slower process of the regular degrees.

SUSPENSIONS AND DEMITS

On October 21, 1966 in my Instructions to the Officers of the Grand Commandery for 1966-1967, I made the following comment and request relative to Demits & Suspensions: "Our best efforts could and should be expended in saving for Templary those Sir Knights who have once been a part of our Order, but who through apathy, illness, and even disinterest, have fallen by the wayside. It is my firm belief that much progress could be made in the department of demits and suspensions. I do want to know the *WHY* in each case of a suspension or demit. Before we suspend *ANY* member, we should find out why he is in arrears. If he is financially unable to pay his dues, your Commandery can and should remit them by using the various Charity and Relief Funds available in most Commanderies. In many cases, the elderly and infirm Sir Knights who have failed to make their circumstances known because of pride, etc., and to many who have been faithful members over the years, to be suspended comes as a crushing blow to these indigent Sir Knights. Won't you please pray about this matter and work toward a solution which can and must be found."

The response to this appeal was negligible and very unsatisfactory; minimal to say the least.

THE TEMPLAR

This monthly bulletin has been in existence for twenty years. As of this year, it is recognized as the representative organ of the Grand Commandery to keep our Constituent Commanderies and the Grand Officers informed as to the progress of our various projects that are applicable to Knights Templar for the betterment and progress of Templary. The statistical sheets each month show the percentage of petitions received against the quota attainment and the progress of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation Life-Sponsorship Program, thus permitting our Commanders,

Councils, Recorders, Grand Officers, and Committeemen to note and compare the results of their efforts in relation to other Commanderies. Although increased costs of printing and mailing are important factors in the issuing of the Templar, I believe its publication should continue and be expanded to as many officers as possible.

GRAND COMMANDER'S BALL

The Grand Commander's Ball was held under the auspices of the Presiding Council's Club on Saturday, March 11, 1967 at the Diplomat, Route One, Saugus, Massachusetts. The excellent program included a reception, an exhibition drill by a team from Sutton Commandery No. 16—New Bedford, Massachusetts, several speciality acts, a Grand March, and dancing to the music of Ralph Cannon's Orchestra.

DISPENSATIONS TO RECEIVE AND BALLOT ON SAME AT THE STATED CONCLAVES OR AT SPECIAL CONCLAVES

In accordance withe the specific powers granted to the Grand Commandery by ARTICLE VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution and Regulations of this Grand Commandery, to permit Constituent Commanderies to receive petitions and ballot thereon at the same or Special Conclaves after such notice as he may deem proper. I granted Dispensations to RECEIVE AND BALLOT during 1966-1967 upon petitions at the same or Special Conclaves as follows:

Number of Petitions		
1	Sept. 20, 1966	Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8
1	Sept. 28, 1966	De Molay Commandery No. 7
2	Oct. 7, 1966	Natick Commandery No. 33
2	Oct. 17, 1966	Newburyport Commandery No. 3
2	Oct. 26, 1966	Springfield Commandery No. 6
6	Oct. 27, 1966	Boston Commandery No. 2
1	Nov. 1, 1966	Trinity Commandery No. 32
1	Nov. 7, 1966	St. John's Commandery No. 1
2	Nov. 15, 1966	Springfield Commandery No. 6
2	Nov. 16, 1966	Boston Commandery No. 2
1	Dec. 5, 1966	De Molay Commandery No. 7
2	Dec. 7, 1966	Natick Commandery No. 33
1	Dec. 7, 1966	Woonsocket Commandery No. 24
1	Dec. 19, 1966	Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
1	Dec. 30, 1966	Boston Commandery No. 2
2	Jan. 10, 1967	Jerusalem Commandery No. 19
3	Jan. 16, 1967	Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
1	Jan. 19, 1967	Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8

1	Jan. 24, 1967	De Molay Commandery No. 7
1	Jan. 24, 1967	Natick Commandery No. 33
1	Jan. 24, 1967	Cambridge Commandery No. 42
1	Jan. 26, 1967	St. John's Commandery No. 1
3	Jan. 30, 1967	Woonsocket Commandery No. 24
1	Feb. 9, 1967	Natick Commandery No. 33
1	Feb. 16, 1967	Trinity Commandery No. 32
1	Feb. 16, 1967	Boston Commandery No. 2
1	Feb. 16, 1967	Jerusalem Commandery No. 19
1	Feb. 21, 1967	South Shore Commandery No. 31
1	Feb. 21, 1967	Woonsocket Commandery No. 24
1	March 8, 1967	Northampton Commandery No. 30
1	March 15, 1967	Boston Commandery No. 2
1	March 22, 1967	De Molay Commandery No. 7
1	April 4, 1967	Cambridge Commandery No. 42
2	April 10, 1967	De Molay Commandery No. 7
1	April 16, 1967	Reading Commandery No. 50
1	April 16, 1967	Calvary Commandery No. 13
1	April 16, 1967	Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20
2	April 18, 1967	Natick Commandery No. 33
4	April 20, 1967	Natick Commandery No. 33
2	April 20, 1967	Newburyport Commandery No. 3
1	April 21, 1967	Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
1	April 21, 1967	Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20
1	April 21, 1967	Gethsemane Commandery No. 35
1	April 27, 1967	Olivet Commandery No. 36
9	April 27, 1967	Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
1	May 3, 1967	Natick Commandery No. 33
1	May 9, 1967	Thomas Smith Webb No. 51
3	May 12, 1967	Sutton Commandery No. 16
1	June 13, 1967	Thomas Smith Webb No. 51
1	June 30, 1967	De Molay Commandery No. 7

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED FOR OTHER PURPOSES

September 19, 1966—South Shore Commandery No. 31 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the Office of Captain General.

September 20, 1966—Cambridge Commandery No. 42 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the office of Commander and such other Officers as may be necessary.

September 29, 1966—Bay State Commandery No. 38 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the office of Junior Warden and Trustee and such other officers as may be necessary.

October 11, 1965—Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 25 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the office of Junior Warden and such other officers as may be necessary.

February 23, 1967—Presiding Councils Club for all Commanderies to appear in public on Saturday, March 11, 1967, at the Diplomat in Saugus for the Grand Commander's Ball.

March 17, 1967—Haverhill Commandery No. 14 K.T. to hold a Special Conclave on April 22, 1967, in the apartments of the Charles C. Dane Blue Lodge in Georgetown, Mass.

July 29, 1967—Jerusalem Commandery No. 19 K.T. to parade on July 4, 1967 in Fitchburg's Civic Day Parade.

September 1, 1967—Athol Commandery No. 37 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the Office of Generalissimo and such other officers as may be necessary.

September 5, 1967—Old Colony Commandery No. 15 K.T. to hold a Special Election for the office of Generalissimo and such other officers as may be necessary.

RELEASES OF JURISDICTION RECEIVED

March 28, 1967—HAVERHILL COMMANDERY No. 14 K.T., Haverhill, Mass., received a Release of Jurisdiction from DeWitt Clinton Commandery, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, over Companion David Randolph Jordan.

April 27, 1967—BETHANY COMMANDERY No. 17 K.T., Lawrence, Mass., received a Release of Jurisdiction from Saint George Commandery of Nashua, New Hampshire, over Companion John Anthony Ronaldo.

RELEASE OF JURISDICTION GRANTED

October 24, 1966—THOMAS SMITH WEBB COMMANDERY No. 51 K.T., Cranston, Rhode Island, granted a Release of Jurisdiction to Hugh de Payens Commandery, Keene, New Hampshire, over Companion Harold S. Carver, Jr.

APPOINTMENT OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES RECEIVED

November 17, 1966—WISCONSIN. Sir Kt. Thomas K. Wood as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to the Grand Commandery K.T. of Wisconsin.

March 13, 1967—MAINE. Sir Kt. Charles H. Peterson as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to the Grand Commandery K.T. of Maine.

August 18, 1967—NORTH DAKOTA. Sir Kt. Urban Blaisdell, as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to the Grand Commandery K.T. of North Dakota.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED

September 15, 1966—WISCONSIN. Sir Kt. Robert P. Beach, as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Wisconsin near the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

August 10, 1967—ARKANSAS. Sir Kt. Robert M. MacKenzie, as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Arkansas to the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

August 10, 1967—INDIANA. Sir Knight Leonard H. Hoft, as Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K.T. of Indiana to the Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

THOMAS SMITH WEBB MEDALS

During 1966-67, thirteen Commanderies presented 47 THOMAS SMITH WEBB MEDALS to "40-year veterans."

Boston Commandery No. 2	4
Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8	3

Calvary Commandery No. 13	3
Haverhill Commandery No. 14	6
Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20	9
Bristol Commandery No. 29	3
Northampton Commandery No. 30	2
Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34	4
Bay State Commandery No. 38	1
Cyprus Commandery No. 39	1
Beauseant Commandery No. 41	5
Quincy Commandery No. 47	5
Reading Commandery No. 50	1
Total	47

FIFTY YEAR SERVICE BARS

During 1966-1967, eleven Commanderies presented "Fifty Year Service Bars."

Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8	4
Pilgrim Commandery No. 9	6
Calvary Commandery No. 13	4
Haverhill Commandery No. 14	6
Winslow Lewis Commandery No. 18	2
Connecticut Valley Commandery No. 23	4
Northampton Commandery No. 30	1
Bay State Commandery No. 38	4
Cyprus Commandery No. 39	5
Beauseant Commandery No. 41	2
Total	40

STATE OF THE ORDER

There are many surmises as to the cause of the losses in all branches of the fraternity. There is no fraternal organization that is not affected by changes in our communities, or changes in the lives of the people who live in them. Also we are experiencing a period of uncertainity, suspense, and distrust which will have much effect on this fraternity. A large portion of our people are apparently in a state of indifference. In these days of rapidly changing conditions, we must concentrate on the one fact, that our officers must work, experiment, and plan. Too little time is given by our Commanders to a closer relationship and contact with their own membership. The time has come when our real job is to sell Masonry to our members and Templary to Knights Templar.

We must do our very best to eliminate the apparent unwillingness to accept responsibility and leadership so prevalent in our present society. These are the same handicaps that all organizations face. There is only one solution and it is described by the following four words: "Work, Interest, Loyalty, and Planning."

Nothing is wrong intrinsically with Templary or Freemasonry. Apathy, lack of interest, and indifferent leadership is responsible for the adverse conditions in some bodies. This is proven by the fact that some are alive and doing, working and taking in new members.

Naturally we are concerned about loss in membership. However, I feel at this time that it may be a real asset and will in the end benefit the fraternity. We can see today the association of the leaders in all branches of masonry discussing their individual problems with one another, coming to the final realization that the problem of one is the problem of all. Out of this must come a better feeling and a closer harmony between us. The acceptance of this knowledge that our troublesome problems can be much more readily solved by joint action on the part of all, will guarantee our survival and future progress.

TRIENNIAL

As you know, this was a Triennial Year of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America.

It was indeed the Golden Triennial and celebrated one hundred and fifty years of Grand Encampment. It was held in the city of Detroit, Michigan from August 19 to August 24, 1967. On Saturday evening, August 19, a spectacular parade was held. It was one of the largest showings of Knights Templar that I have ever seen. Marchers numbered in excess of seven thousand, including many beautiful floats, bands galore, and mounted units. I am very proud to have led a delegation of some fifty Sir Knights from our Jurisdiction, with the majority of the Grand Officers present. Being the oldest Grand Commandery in Grand Encampment, we had the first position in the line. We marched through several of the main streets of Detroit, and ended at the Cobo Arena. We passed by the reviewing stand where the Most Eminent Grand Master Wilbur M. Brucker and suite reviewed the Parade. Although the weather was threatening throughout the march of a mile and a half, the rain held off until the last division, the fabulous sixteen platoon drill team of Detroit Commandery No. 1, some 100 strong, came along. They stuck it out as did those on the reviewing stand. Most of the feathers had dried out in time for the beautiful church service that was held in Cobo Hall on Sunday, Auguts 20, 1967.

Ten of our voting delegates were in attendance. A great deal of legislation was enacted at the many business sessions of the Triennial for the benefit of Templary.

In order that there will be no misinterpretation of the amendments that were enacted, we will wait until they are sent to us in their final form. Some of these amendments were passed that will require action even though mandatory by our Grand Commandery and require a change in our Constitution.

We were part of the group of the New England Grand Commanderies, namely Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, that maintained a hospitality suite in the Statler Hilton Hotel. Our ladies and Sir Knights were hostesses and hosts for one of the five days. Sir Knights Jack R. Baker, our Grand Captain General and his lovely lady Gloria, as General Chairman of this effort deserve much credit for a beautiful job well done.

On the morning of August 24, 1967, we held a farewell breakfast for all of our Sir Knights and their ladies who still remained in Detroit. Forty-three people attended. It was a very pleasant ending to one of the most interesting and active Triennials that I have ever attended.

CONCLUSION

The most difficult part of my report is this--it sounds so final, whatever I say here, I will, later on, wish that I had said something more, or something less, but once it is down in print, I will never be able to change a word of it.

My year has been a fruitful experience. To have been permitted to serve this Grand Commandery in various capacities over the past several years has been an honor, a challenge and very rewarding. First to be selected as a representative of this great Christian Order, and finally to serve as its titular head, to work for the advancement of Templary is a privilege granted to but a few. I have not accomplished what I had hoped; I wonder if anyone ever does.

I express my sincere thanks to the Grand Commandery Officers, the Past Grand Commanders, and the Grand Commandery Committees, all of whom have given me excellent cooperation and counsel whenever needed. I appreciate particularly the help given me so freely by our Grand Recorder Sir Knight G. Burton Long, Right Eminent

Past Grand Commander and the Office staff, Miss Fowler and Mrs. Bond, with whom the Grand Commander must, of necessity, collaborate a great many times during any year. It is my hope that I may be spared to serve Templary and Masonry in whatever way that I can for several more years.

With that, Sir Knights, I consign your direction to our worthy incoming Grand Commander, and I pledge to him my constant support. I know that he will enjoy the loyal cooperation of our fine corps of grand officers, just as I have, and I do wish for him the very best of everything during his year at the helm of this Grand Commandery and of Templary in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

I would like to say now that my story is told, but I can't just yet, because I still have some hours to spend in this hot seat of command. God's richest blessings on you all and the Grand Commnadery Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Courteously submitted,
George C. Patton, Jr., Grand Commander

R. E. Sir G. BURTON LONG: R. E. Grand Commander, may I address a motion to the V. E. Deputy Grand Commander?

THE GRAND COMMANDER: If you will, please.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: V.E. Deputy Grand Commander, I move you Sir that the report of the Grand Commander be accepted, his recommendations adopted, and the same be spread upon the records of our Grand Commandery.

V. E. SIR GORDON C. PLAYER: Sir Knights, you have heard the motion. Is there a second? (Motion seconded) All in favor of the motion please signify by extending the sword arm. Those opposed. It is a vote.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, Sir Knights, your cooperation and loyalty is appreciated.

We will have at this time the report of the Committee on Christmas Offering and Good Cheer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTMAS OFFERING AND GOOD CHEER

Boston, Mass.
September 19, 1967

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery

K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Dear Sir Knights:

It is with pleasure that your Committee reports that all fifty Commanderies contributed in the Templary year 1966-1967 to the Christmas offering and Good Cheer. A total of $9,221.65 was contributed by the Sir Knights of our Jurisdiction. Although most commendable it is far short of our goal of $1.00 per member.

We wish to comment that several Commanderies did not avail themselves of Official Order No. 1. This is written each year as a direct plea from the Grand Commander to the Sir Knights to contribute to this worthy cause. We feel that 100% cooperation by the Constituent Commanderies would be mandatory if we are to attain our goal.

"And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."—Luke 6:31

Courteously submitted,
CHRISTMAS CHEER COMMITTEE
G. BURTON LONG, CHAIRMAN

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R. E. Grand Commander, I recommend that the report of the Christmas Cheer Committee be accepted and spread upon the records. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the recommendation. All who favor it will extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is so ordered.

Next we will have the report of the Educational Foundation Committee.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Boston, Mass., September 19, 1967

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery
K. T., Inc., of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

SIR KNIGHTS:

The Grand Encampment is making a special effort to revitalize the Educational Foundation Program. The Committee has been engaged for more than a year, in formulating a revised set of Regulations and Standard Practices which are streamlined, modern and designed to meet the requirements of our present day student.

While at the Triennial in Detroit, it was my privilege to participate in a group discussion of the proposed changes sponsored by the Grand Encampment.

Among the points of interest emphasized were the necessity for all Jurisdictions to work under a common administrative plan, a unified method of procedure and a shortening of the time period from application to receipt of the loan. The Committee is working to the end that the revised Regulations will be sent us prior to the end of the year that 1968 may start with a more timely and more liberalized program thereby adding lustre to the public image of this outstanding Knights Templar charity.

It is interesting to note that our Jurisdiction presupposed the Grand Encampment program with one of our own. This year we sent a letter to all 340 Symbolic Lodges in Massachusetts and 47 in Rhode Island. This same letter was also sent to the 93 Royal Arch Chapters in Massachusetts and 16 in Rhode Island. (A copy of which is appended to this report).

In it we gave a brief historical background, noting the benefits to and qualifications for an applicant and urged the dissemination of the information to the Brethren and their friends.

Much favorable comment filtered back to the Grand Commandery office and several applications were submitted.

At the Annual Meeting in February of this year your Committee raised the limits of individual loans from $600.00 for a single year to $800.00 and from $400.00 a year for two years to $600.00 each year.

It is interesting to note that through August 31, 1967 we have made 66 loans for a total of $39,087.00. The Auditors report for the entire year of 1966 attests 61 loans in the amount of $27,390.00. Although this shows a healthy increase, we urge each Sir Knight to acquaint his friends with the facts of our Knights Templar Educational Foundation.

Respectfull submitted,
G. BURTON LONG
Secretary

Dear Brother:

Back in 1922 the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. displayed great foresight in creating the Knights Templar Educational Foundation. Its purpose was to assist, in a modest manner, those Juniors and Seniors who needed financial aid to continue in college. Since that date thousands of young men and women have been able to complete their education through money loaned by the Foundation.

We enclose a pamphlet for your perusal which gives detailed information. Note the six major requirements necessary to qualify for a loan. We call your particular attention to the fact that this is a loan with interest and the applicant must sign a note together with a responsible endorser.

While the student is in college interest charges are waived. Upon graduation repayment of the principal plus interest begins the January following a June graduation with minimum monthly repayment of principal, $5.00 per month the first year, $10.00 per month the second, etc. These are minimum requirements. No limitation is placed on the borrower amortizing as rapidly as he may find convenient.

Loans are made irrespective of race, color or creed. The sole purpose is to assist the youth of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in obtaining an education. We bring this to your attention that you may be aware of our Knights Templar Educational Foundation. Should you know of any qualified young man or woman who needs financial assistance to complete their last two years in college, last two years of graduate work or a two year vocational training course, we will gladly arrange for an interview with them here at the Masonic Temple, Room 405, 186 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02111-Tel. 617 426-1973.

Courteously yours,
G. BURTON LONG
Secretary

P.S. We would appreciate your using such means as are at your disposal to inform all interested Brethren of the above.

EXHIBIT A

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1966

ASSETS

Cash in Bank and on Hand		$ 5,006.93
Cash in Massachusetts Savings Banks		
Charlestown Savings Bank	$ 20,000.00	
Home Savings Bank	58,000.00	
South Boston Savings Bank	13,000.00	91,000.00
Notes Receivable		
Student Loans—Current	149,596.77	
Student Loans—Doubtful	8,284.12	157,880.89
Inventory—Stationery and Supplies		338.78
		$254,226.60

LIABILITIES AND PRINCIPAL

Accrued and Withheld Taxes		
Taxes withheld—Federal	137.52	
Taxes withheld—State	7.28	
F.I.C.A. Taxes	110.46	255.26
Accrued Expenses		450.00
Due Committee on The Educational Foundation of The Grand Encampment		463.86
Reserve for Unpaid Interest		600.83
Principal Account (Exhibit C)		252,456.65
		$254,226.60

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R.E. Sir, I move the acceptance of this report and its inclusion in the proceedings of the meeting. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the motion and the second. All in favor of its adoption will extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is an order and I so declare it.

Next we will have the report of the Uniform Committee.

R. E. SIR LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN: This Committee was appointed by R.E. Sir Patton, Grand Commander, to investigate the possibility of finding a uniform that would be adequate and less expensive than the one in present use. We call to your attention the four Sir Knights on the dais who are in Commandery uniform. We are considering only coats, trousers and belts in this presentation. The chapeaus and shoulder boards are being worn to show the effect of the complete uniform.

If the Sir Knights of this Jurisdiction are interested in a uniform that is substantially lower cost similar to this Pennsylvania uniform it would be in order for someone to submit a resolution to make such a change. This resolution would be voted on at the next meeting of the Grand Commandery.

Thank you, gentlemen, for modeling.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: R. E. Beaudoin, I appreciate the effort that has gone into this report. Do you have a resolution?

R. E. SIR LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN: I haven't a resolution. This Committee does not want to direct this Commandery. We think it should come from a Sir Knight here who might be interested in changing.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R.E. Sir, do you have any objection if I move to adopt the report and spread it on the record?

R.E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR: R. E. Grand Commander, does the report advocate changing the present uniform?

R. E. SIR LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN: No, just adopting the report.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR: It doesn't advocate changing the unfiorm?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Merely a report.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: I second the motion with the suggestion that I still feel the information of the sources of getting these uniforms and the prices and addresses be made available in the office of the Recorder.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the motion and second. Those in favor will signify by extending the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. I guess we take it from there unless there is a resoultion. Thank you very much, Louis, for your efforts.

The next will be the report of the Grand Recorder.

REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER

September 19, 1967

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

SIR KNIGHTS:

Total Membership as of June 30, 1966 14,065

Gains:			
Knighted	370		
Affiliations	13		
Reinstatements	24		
		407	
Losses:			
Demitted	153		
Suspended	101		
Deaths	410		
Errors	1	665	
Net Loss		258	258
Total Membership as of June 30, 1967			13,807

Massachusetts	12,021	Loss 202
Rhode Island	1,786	Loss 56
Total	13,807	258

Courteously submitted,
G. BURTON LONG,
Grand Recorder.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I move you, Sir, that these reports be accepted and spread upon the record, subject to confirmation by the Auditor. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: You have heard the report and the second. All those in favor of the acceptance will extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

At this time I would like to call on Sir Knight J. Henry Johnson, the representative of the Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, M.W. Thomas A. Booth, for a few words.

SIR KNIGHT J. HENRY JOHNSON: R. E. Grand Commander, distinguished guests and Sir Knights all. Knights Templar as you all well know exists to-day as a Fraternal Order and not as a Military and Religious Order as the Knights Templar of old.

Many of the Commanderies have taken the names of the valiant young French Knights who founded the Knights Templar, such as Hugh de Payens and Godfrey of St. Omer. Others have taken the name of some of the greatest churchmen of the day, notably St. Bernard, through whose intercession with Pope Honorious II, the Knights Templar received Papal Recognition and were given a rule similar to that under which the Monastic Orders were governed.

The original purpose of the organization founded by these young Knights, was to guard the road between

Jerusalem and Acre, the Jerusalem Port on the Mediterraean. They were provided with a suite of rooms in one wing of King Baldwin II Palace in Jerusalem, which stood on the supposed site of King Solomon's Temple and thus they became known as Knights of the Temple or Knights Templar.

Other Commanderies have taken the name of some of the Grand Masters of the Knights Templar, particularly Jacques DeMolay, who was the last and most famous Grand Master of the Knights Templar, an organization which existed for 186 years and which came to an abrupt end upon the infamous death of Jacques DeMolay who was burned at the stake on the Island of Cite of the River Seine, March 18, 1314.

The martyrdom of Jacques DeMolay still lives on however in the Great Order of DeMolay, founded by the late Frank S. Land on March 18, 1919, 605 years to the day following the death of Jacques DeMolay. It is to this great organization of Youth, to which I would like to direct your attention for a few moments.

The Order of DeMolay is, as you may or may not know, the largest organization of its kind, with a membership of 165,000 young men with 2,340 Chapters spread throughout the United States, Canada, Japan, Phillipines, Australia, Mexico and Germany. Every Chapter must be sponsored by Master Masons in good standing. The Order of DeMolay however, is in no sense a Junior Masonic Body nor does membership therein entitle a senior DeMolay to membership in the Masonic Fraternity, but it is indeed a good recommendation for a candidate for Masonry who has had membership in the Order of DeMolay.

The great purpose of DeMolay, is to make Junior Citizens of our great country so when they reach their majority, they may take their rightful place in their communities, town, cities, state and nation, not losing sight however of those great moral precepts of filial love, reverence, courtesy, fidelity, comradeship, cleaness and patriotism, in peace as well as in war, which this great organization endeavors to inculcate upon its membership.

The members of the Order of DeMolay, like the knights of old, are well disciplined and trained. Every organization needs fresh blood so to speak, if it is to continue to grow and exist.

At this point, I am not narrowing my remarks down to the Commandery alone, but rather to Freemasonry in its

broadest aspect, and say, that in my opinion, Freemasonry is missing a great opportunity by not giving its fullest support that it should and is capable of, to the young men of this fine organization. I do not mean financial support, altho this is always welcome and necessary, but rather by giving support to these young men by attending their meetings, by serving in some capacity such as an Advisor, assisting the Scribe which corresponds to a Recorder, or assisting the Treasurer, or acting as Athletic Advisor, or acting as a Ritual Advisor, thereby showing them we do not simply give lip service, but that we back them with deeds thereby showing that we are genuinely interested in them, their work and what the Order of DeMolay is endeavoring to teach these young men.

It is by this type of service that we thereby stimulate in these young men, a sincere desire to want to join Masonry, and thereby provide that fresh blood of which I spoke of a moment ago. I can speak from experience, because I was a former DeMolay, which gave me a wonderful training and which helped me tremendously when I became a Mason.

The point I wish to make however, is this, it was because of the interest that the Masons of my day took, and the services which they rendered to the organization and yes, the picture of the plummed hats of the Sir Knights of St. Omer Commandery No. 21 K. T. which hung on the wall at the Masonic Apartments of Uphams Corner, Dorchester, Massachusetts of which our late beloved George Weeks was a Past Commander, that engendered my desire to want to join Masonry and which I did upon reaching my majority.

I could cite other former DeMolays who have become active in Masonry and who shared the same experience of which I spoke.

Let us therefore, not become smug and complacent in our own sphere of operations as Masons, but rather let us invest some of our time, talents and services in these fine young men of the Order of DeMolay, who will be the men of to-morrow and yes the Mason of to-morrow if we will but do our share.

Nothing worthwhile is obtained without effort and hard work. Let us above all, not ask what DeMolay can do for Masonry, but rather, what Masonry can do for DeMolay.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, R. W. At this time I would also like to have M. W. Robert W. Markham, Jr., Grand Master of Masons of Rhode Island, to say a few words to us.

M. W. ROBERT W. MARKHAM, JR:. R. E. Grand Commanders, distinguished guests, Sir Knights and Brother Masons all. It is indeed a pleasure and a privilege and an honor for me to be here today and to bring to each and every one of you the warm fraternal greetings of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and my own personal greetings and best wishes.

Yesterday I read an article in the Secret Place, which is a devotional booklet some of you may be familiar with, and it spoke of a speaker who was addressing a graduation exercise and he took as his theme the New Atlantis by Sir Francis Bacon. He proceeded to explain how men sunk shafts into the depth of the ground to find out what was going on in the depths of the earth, how they had built towers to see what went on in space, and how to obtain Utopia. We have made great strides in science, we have studied sound, sound waves, television. We have all these wonderful new scientific things. But we are apparently no closer to Utopia than we have ever been. I think if you open any paper you will see on the front pages the various crises that are facing our world, with race riots, with strikes in industry, and everything else. It seems we are far from Utopia at the present time.

Later in that ceremony Sir Wilfred Grenfell was called upon to receive a degree and he said very briefly, "I know how we can move from the New Atlantis to Utopia and that is by putting into application the lessons learned from our Lord Jesus Christ." I think we as Christian Masons can do much in our present world today by putting into practice the application which we receive in the lessons of Freemasonry and through the lessons we receive in the Holy Writings which lie on our Altar in Commandery and in all of our Blue Lodges. I think in Masonry today we are looking, we are sinking shafts, searching for the things wrong with Masonry. I think if we went back to the basic truths of Masonry and put into daily practice the faith, the hope and the charity and the other teachings of Free-

masonry that Masonry would grow. We wouldn't be concerned with lack of interest.

I call on each and every one of you as you go back to your Commandery and as you go back to your Blue Lodge and more especially as you go out in your daily living to live as you have been taught to live by the precepts of Masonry. I am sure that others will be brought into our fold by your example. I think if you would look back and analyze the reasons why you joined Masonry you would find largely it was because you were brought to it by the type of man who was associated with Masonry.

I myself was brought into Masonry through two occasions. One was a parade of Knights Templar in Providence. I think it was in the year 1935 approximately. As these Knights Templar paraded by me I recognized many men whom I knew and respected in the community. I made inquiry. The pastor of my church signed my application and he also was a Knight Templar and a Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge. The other man was also a Knight Templar. This was what brought me to Masonry because I respected these men and what they stood for. They were outstanding men morally and spiritually and they lived Freemasonry. I am happy and proud that they have helped to instill in Freemasonry in my Lodge and in my Commandery the spirit and teachings that were brought us in this Holy Book.

R. E. Grand Commander, I share with my colleague, R. W. Johnson, the interest in DeMolay and I thank the Commandery as Executive Officer for DeMolay for Rhode Island for the cooperation and help they have given to me in that capacity. I agree that the future lies with our young people and if we do not provide the leadership for our young people Masonry will suffer from it.

I wish to thank you for the courtesies extended to Mrs. Markham and myself and wish for the Grand Commandery success in the years ahead. Thank you very much.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. At this time I will call for the report of the Grand Treasurer.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, Jr.: R. E. Grand Commander and Sir Knights, I can smother you with figures but unless you object I will read you the more important items.

EXHIBIT A

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
GENERAL FUND
GRAND RECORDER'S CASH SUMMARY
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1966

Arrears Collected	$ 289.05
Per Capita Dues	17,299.95
Candidates' Fees	2,555.00
Thomas Smith Webb Medals	206.95
Diplomas and Engraving	654.00
Tactics	26.00
Official Orders	203.56
Eye Foundation Assessment	13,381.00
Dues Cards	884.49
Annual Conclaves—1965	3,241.77
Annual Conclave—1966	41.54
Interest—Savings Banks	188.12
50 Year Bars	14.30
Grand Encampment Constitutions	19.25
Sesquicentennial	300.00
Transferred from Grand Fund—	
Promotional and Membership	1,500.00
Unrestricted	500.00
Blue Cross-Blue Shield—Reimbursements	264.25
Miscellaneous	28.92
Total Receipts for the Year	$41,598.15

EXHIBIT B

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
GENERAL FUND
GRAND TREASURER'S CASH SUMMARY
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1966

Balance September 1, 1965	$19,599.49
Received from Grand Recorder	41,598.15
Total	$61,197.64

Expenditures

Per Capita Tax		$ 2,566.08
Eye Foundation		13,381.00
Conclaves		6,118.04
Triennial Reserve		200.00
Annual Proceedings		1,189.97
Group Meetings		227.90
Promotional		327.65
Public Relations		337.75
Inspections		717.97
Exemplifications		194.12
Salaries:		
Grand Recorder	$2,111.50	
Secretary	2,477.00	
Treasurer	500.00	
Total	$5,088.50	

Less—Payroll Taxes Withheld	912.00	4,176.50
Social Security Taxes		204.08
Federal and State Taxes Withheld		1,125.08
Massachusetts Unemployment Taxes		60.88
Miscellaneous and Contingent		601.56
Repairs Grand Commander's Jewel		65.00
Printing and Postage		1,362.64
Rent		2,000.00
Insurance and Bonding		259.68
Audit		600.00
Office Supplies		235.33
Telephone		240.27
Grand Commander's Fund		500.00
Part Time Office Help		846.00
Marking Officers		250.00
Sesquicentennial		300.00
Thomas Smith Webb Medals		251.74
Rituals		60.00
Diplomas		241.43
50 Year Bars		129.70
Blue Cross/Blue Shield		353.00
Promotional and Membership		1,499.11
Dues Cards		842.77
Total Expenditures		$41,465.25
Balance August 31, 1966		$19,732.39

Consisting of:

Checking Account—First National Bank of Boston	$12,132.39
Savings Accounts—	
South Weymouth Savings Bank Book No. 19542	600.00
Home Savings Bank Book No. 552368	7,000.00
Total as above	$19,732.39

EXHIBIT C

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1966

	Actual	Budget	Actual Under or *Over* Budget
INCOME			
Per Capita	$17,295.03	$17,107.20	$ *187.83*
Candidates' Fees	2,555.00	2,750.00	195.00
Other Income	413.25	500.00	86.75
Grand Fund Appropriation	500.00	500.00	00.00
Total Income	$20,863.28	$20,857.20	$ 93.92
EXPENSES			
Grand Encampment Dues	$ 2,566.08	$ 2,566.00	$ *.08*
Conclaves — 1966	2,834.73	2,500.00	*334.73*
Proceedings — 1965	1,189.97	1,200.00	10.03

Printing and Postage	1,725.49	1,400.00	*325.49*
Rent	2,000.00	2,000.00	00.00
Inspections	717.97	750.00	32.03
Group Meetings	227.90	300.00	72.10
Bond and Insurance	259.68	300.00	40.32
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	88.75	95.00	6.25
Salary — Grand Recorder	2,678.00	2,678.00	00.00
Salary — Clerk	2,477.00	2,477.00	00.00
Salary — Grand Treasurer	500.00	500.00	00.00
Part Time Office Help	700.00	700.00	00.00
Exemplifications	194.12	200.00	5.88
Grand Commander's Fund	500.00	500.00	00.00
Public Relations — Publicity	337.75	350.00	12.25
Promotional Activities	327.65	350.00	22.35
F.I.C.A. and Unemployment Tax.	256.79	300.00	43.21
Repairs—Gr. Commander's Jewel	65.00	65.00	00.00
Marking Officers	250.00	250.00	00.00
Auditor	300.00	300.00	00.00
Office Supplies	235.33	250.00	14.67
Telephone	240.27	300.00	59.73
Miscellaneous and Contingent	493.68	500.00	6.32
Total Expenses	$21,166.16	$20,831.00	$ *335.16*
Excess of Income or *Expenses*	$ *402.88*	$ 26.20	$ *429.08*

EXHIBIT D

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
GENERAL FUND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT AUGUST 31, 1966

ASSETS

Cash		
First National Bank of Boston	$12,132.39	
S. Weymouth Sav. Bank Acc. No. 19542	600.00	
Home Savings Bank Account No. 552368	7,000.00	
Petty Cash	25.00	$19,757.39
Furniture and Fixtures		1,981.69
Inventories		
Diplomas	6.72	
Thomas Smith Webb Medals	132.00	
Grand Encampment Constitutions	7.00	
Merit Badges	42.75	
Printing, Postage and Supplies	790.96	
Rituals	1,238.00	
Tactics	395.00	
50 Year Bars	135.00	
Registration Badges	50.00	
Grand Commandery Insignia	133.55	2,930.98
Total Assets		$24,670.06

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Accrued Expenses	$ 566.50
Deposits on Leased Rituals	220.00
Ritual Account	1,300.00
Reserve for Part Time Help	80.00

Net Worth September 1, 1965		$23,106.44	
Deduct: Excess of Expenses over Income—			
Exhibit C	$402.88		
Transfer to Triennial Conclave Reserve	200.00	602.88	
Net Worth August 31, 1966			22,503.56
Total Liabilities and Net Worth			$24,670.06

EXHIBIT E

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE RESERVE ACCOUNT

Balance September 1, 1965		$1,295.18
Add:		
Transfer from General Fund for 1967 Triennial	$200.00	
Interest on Savings Account	65.25	265.25
Balance August 31, 1966— In South Boston Savings Bank Account No. 189482		$1,560.43

EXHIBIT F

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
CARRIE E. SEITZ FUND

Balance September 1, 1965	$4,568.94
Add: Interest on Savings Account	189.91
Total	$4,758.85
Deduct: Withdrawn for Grants	175.00
Balance August 31, 1966— In South Weymouth Savings Bank Account No. 22847	$4,583.85

EXHIBIT G

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
"MARTIN FUND" (A. KENNETH MARTIN)

Balance August 31, 1966— In Home Savings Bank Account No. 528336	$1,000.00

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

GENERAL FUND

AUDITOR'S REPORT AND CERTIFICATE

for the

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1966

I have examined the accounting and financial records of the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer of The Grand

Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc. for the fiscal year ended Auust 31, 1966, and in connection therewith submit the following appended exhibits:

Exhibit A—Grand Recorder's Cash Summary
Exhibit B—Grand Treasurer's Cash Summary
Exhibit C—Comparative Statement of Income and Expenses
Exhibit D—Balance Sheet as at August 31, 1966
Exhibit E—Triennial Conclave Reserve Account
Exhibit F—Carrie E. Seitz Fund
Exhibit G—Martin Fund (A. Kenneth Martin)
Exhibit H—William F. West Fund
Exhibit I—Conclave Reserve Account

My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the accompanying statements, as listed above, present fairly the financial position of The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc. at August 31, 1966, and the results of its transactions for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Em. Sir Robert P. Beach
Certified Public Accountant

Cambridge, Massachusetts
September 27, 1966

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. You have heard the report of the Treasurer. Is there a motion that it be received?

A SIR KNIGHT: So move.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Is it seconded? (Motion seconded) Regularly moved and seconded that the Treasurer's report be received. All in favor extend the sword arm. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is an order and I so declare it.

At this time we will have the report of the Trustees of the Grand Fund.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: I am informed I get an encore due to the fact that E. Sir Bernard is not there.

GRAND FUND OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY K.T. OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

SIR KNIGHTS:

The Trustees of the Grand Fund present herewith the Report for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1967, in the appended hereto exhibits:

EXHIBIT A—Statement of Income and Expenses for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1967
EXHIBIT B—Statement of Assets and Principal as of August 31, 1967
EXHIBIT C—Schedule of Bonds, Stocks and Savings Bank Accounts as of August 31, 1967, and Related Income for the fiscal year ended

The accounts have been audited by Sir Kt. Robert P. Beach, Certified Public Accountant.

EXHIBIT A

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.
GRAND FUND
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1966

INCOME		
Interest on Bonds	$ 570.00	
Dividends on Stocks	7,760.76	
Interest on Savings Bank Deposits	1,951.20	
Total Income		$10,281.96
EXPENSES		
Rental of Safe Deposit Box	$ 12.00	
Trustees Meeting	24.11	
Audit Fee	150.00	
Total Expenses		186.11
Net Income for the Year		$10,095.85

EXHIBIT B

Statement of Assets and Principal
As at August 31, 1966

ASSETS

Bonds—at Book Value (Exhibit C) (Approximate market—$5,200)		$ 8,500.00	
Stocks—at Book Value (Exhibit C) (Approximate market—$158,000)		99,789.24	
Savings Bank Accounts (Exhibit C)		46,083.07	
Total Assets			$154,372.31

PRINCIPAL

Balance, September 1, 1965			$140,904.23
Add:			
Grand Fund Net Income for the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 1966 (Exhibit A)		$10,095.85	
Gain on Sale of 94 Shares of American Telephone & Telegraph Co.		3,075.09	
Restatement of Book Value of Shares of Massachusetts Investors Trust to reflect value of capital gain dividends taken in stock in prior years		2,297.14	
		$15,468.08	
Deduct:			
Transferred to General Fund—Promotional and Membership	$1,500.00		
Unrestricted	500.00	2,000.00	13,468.08
Total Principal			$154,372.31

EXHIBIT C

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc.
Grand Fund
Schedule of Bonds, Stocks and Savings Bank Accounts as at August 31, 1966, and Related Income for the Fiscal Year Then Ended

Amount	*Bonds*	*Book Value*	*Income*
3000	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad—General Mtg. 4% 1995	$ 3,000.00	$ 120.00
4000	Boston & Maine R.R. "A" 4½% 1970	4,000.00	
1500	Boston & Maine R.R. 1st Mtge. 6% Series SS 1965 (Exchanged for Series TT 1967)		360.00*
	Boston & Maine R.R. 1st Mtge. 6% Series TT 1967	1,500.00	90.00
	Totals	8,500.00	570.00
	Percent Yield		6.70%
Shares	*Stocks*		
498	American Telephone & Telegraph Co.	14,779.87	1,117.70
140	American Tobacco Company	2,144.59	245.00
200	Bimar Corporation—in liquidation (formerly Boston Insurance Co.)	9,100.00	270.00
216	Chase Manhattan Bank	4,050.65	432.00
182	Chemical Bank New York Trust Co.	3,531.35	382.20
233	First National Bank of Boston	3,977.27	582.52
277	First Pennsylvania Banking and Trust Company	5,798.36	386.42
50	General Electric Company	5,849.06	97.50
159	General Motors Corporation	4,847.19	826.80
262	Household Finance Corporation	3,125.23	242.35
1371	Massachusetts Investors Trust	13,980.56	1,443.20
200	Pacific Lighting Corporation	3,370.01	260.00
204	Pittsburgh National Bank	4,550.00	408.00
140	Shawmut Association, Inc.	6,600.00	294.00
150	Standard Oil Company (New Jersey)	8,129.48	405.00
222	Union Oil Company of California	1,995.67	268.07
50	United Fruit Company	2,875.09	25.00
75	F. W. Woolworth Company	1,084.86	75.00
	Totals	$99,789.24	$7,760.76
	Percent Yield		7.77%
Book No.	*Savings Banks*		
289908	Charlestown Savings Bank	$13,424.35	$ 578.91
405308	Home Savings Bank	6,780.31	298.74
62890	Salem Savings Bank	1,000.00	43.76
44989	Weymouth Savings Bank	1,391.53	62.60
190689	Wildey Savings Bank	6,364.52	442.01
196439	Wildey Savings Bank	7,122.36	245.55
80413	Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank	5,000.00	141.38
178981	Worcester Mechanics Savings Bank	5,000.00	138.25
	Totals	$46,083.07	$1,951.20
	Percent Yield		4.23%
	Total Percent Yield		6.66%

* Four year dividend arrearage paid in current year.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

GRAND FUND

AUDITOR'S REPORT AND CERTIFICATE

for the

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1966

I have examined the accounting and financial records of the Grand Fund of The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc. for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1966 and submit herewith the following exhibits:

Exhibit A—Statement of Income and Expenses for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1966

Exhibit B—Statement of Assets and Principal as at August 31, 1966

Exhibit C—Schedule of Bonds, Stocks, and Savings Bank Accounts as at August 31, 1966, and Related Income for the fiscal year then ended

Investment securities held by the Grand Fund at August 31, 1966, were examined at the vault of the Boylston Street office of the National Shawmut Bank of Boston in the presence of Robert G. Wilson, Jr., Grand Treasurer, and Harold P. Trefethen, Trustee. Changes in investments during the year were substantiated by examination of brokers' advices and cash transactions. Comparisons were also made of income received on investments with interest rates and published dividend declarations and it was determined that all income receivable from investments was received and properly recorded in the accounts during the year.

Savings bank books were examined and the balances at August 31, 1966, verified by direct confirmation with the banks.

In my opinion, the accompanying statements present fairly the financial position of the Grand Fund of The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc. at August 31, 1966, and the results of its transactions for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Em. Sir Robert P. Beach
Certified Public Accountant

The report of the Trustees of the Grand Fund include pages 49-A thru 49-D.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: I move the adoption of this detailed report. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. All those in favor extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

Cambridge, Massachusetts
September 27, 1966

Report of the Committee on Finance

E. SIR HAROLD A. BUDREAU: R. E. Grand Commander, I will not read the items in the budget because the business of running the Grand Commandery is routine and the same items appear for each year and the Recorder has told you what he spent. But the budget this year the increase is in postage, Social Security, Medicare and the increase we will have in Blue Cross and Blue Shield. The budget is $25,623 for the ensuing year.

The only means we have for raising money is from the per capita tax and from fees on candidates. As everyone knows both of these have gone down, the per capita tax through deaths and fees because our membership fees have declined in the past several years. The only thing we have is again tapping the Grand Fund which we are doing this year to the extent of $5,623. The estimated income on that basis will be $25,756.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Boston, Mass., Sept. 19, 1967

To the Officers and Members of This Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts & Rhode Island:

SIR KNIGHTS:

We submit the following Budget for this Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island for 1967-1968:

ESTIMATED BUDGET

Grand Encampment Dues (1967)	$ 2,500.00
Conclave (1968)	2,750.00
Proceedings (1967)	1,200.00
Printing and Postage	1,750.00
Rent	1,800.00
Inspections	750.00
Group Meetings	250.00
Triennial Reserve	1,500.00
Bond and Insurance	300.00
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	55.00
Salary—Grand Recorder	2,678.00
Salary—Grand Treasurer	500.00
Salary—Clerk	3,500.00
Part-time Help	700.00

Exemplifications	200.00
Grand Commander's Fund	500.00
Public Relations-Publicity	350.00
Marking Officers	250.00
Promotional Activities	200.00
F. I. C. A.—Unemployment	425.00
Repairs — Jewel	65.00
Auditor	300.00
Office Supplies	300.00
Telephone	300.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	500.00
	$23,623.00
Contingent Fund	2,000.00
Total	$25,623.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Per Capita—13,807 Members at $1.23	$16,983.00
Candidates Fees—450 at $7.00	3,150.00
Grand Fund	5,623.00
	$25,756.00

Courteously submitted,

HAROLD A. BUDREAU

KENNETH H. EARLE

EDWARD NORRIS, *Chairman*

I will also submit at this time, R. E. Grand Commander, to save one move, the report of the Finance Committee as it relates to the budget on the Educational Foundation. That is pretty much set and has to be approved by the. Grand Encampment.

However, the budget this year will be $9,319.00.

REVISED BUDGET FOR 1968
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Clerk	$3,484.00
Secretary	2,600.00
Treasurer	480.00
Part Time Help	200.00
Rent	1,000.00
Bond and Insurance	200.00
Social Security	300.00
Audit	450.00
Board Meetings	75.00
Postage	150.00
Telephone	125.00
Supplies	100.00
Miscellaneous	100.00

Blue Cross-Blue Shield	55.00
Total	$9,319.00

Approved:

EDWARD NORRIS
KENNETH H. EARLE
HAROLD A. BUDREAU

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you very much. Sir Knights, you have heard the report of the Committee on Finance. Is there a motion that it be accepted?

R.E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: So move. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Regularly moved and seconded. All those in favor will signify by extending the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is in order and I so declare it.

At this time I would like to call on M. E. Charles A. Cross, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter in Massachusetts.

M. E. CHARLES A. CROSS: R. E. Sir, distinguished guests and Sir Knights. I find myself in sort of an embarrassing situation to appear after one Grand Master and one Grand Senior Warden. However, R. E. Sir, it has been a pleasure for me to have traveled with you the last year and I am sure that you know in the different jurisdictions the same story is told. I am sure that probably too many of us belong to too many organizations in this great fraternity and probably we are not able to support the one that we should be supporting.

We all know that the Mason of tomorrow is the DeMolay boy of today and we should so improve our Chapters, Councils and Commanderies to a point where they know we exist. I am sure that we have many obstacles. I am sure that there are things today taking up the greatest part of our time when we should be receiving into our respective Lodges the membership which we should get.

However, I have been privileged to attend some of the six Lodges of Instruction in our Blue Lodges and I am sure when you see the number that are taking the Symbolic Degrees today how can we add to our numbers, both Scottish and York Rites, when so few are being raised as Master Masons. I am sure we have to make it interesting. I am sure that most of us will have to pick up the pick and shovel and remove some more of the rubble from the old

Temple and make it new, and I ask you, my Companions, what part of the work are you willing to undertake? Thank you!

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, M. E. Sir. We appreciate your remarks very much.

At this time we would like to hear from R. E. Alfred Bateman of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Rhode Island.

R. E. ALFRED BATEMAN: R. E. Grand Commander, Sir Knights and distinguished Masons all. From the little State of Rhode Island I bring you the greetings of our M. E. Grand High Priest Wallace C. Adams and, of course, the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. It is an interesting little State. We have a great number of Masons in Rhode Island and yet our numbers are decreasing as in other States.

You have heard previous speakers tell you what the trouble is. My predecessor in speaking here has told you how to do it. You have to work in the vineyard. You have to work with the young people. This is the only way you can expect to survive. I am speaking to you as Companions and we represent one of the oldest and the greatest phases of Masonry in the world. I speak of the General Grand Chapter International. We have no boundaries on countries. Masonry has no border in their own particular activities. I would say to go out and work in the vineyard.

I want to express to you, R. E. Sir and this Grand Commandery, my own personal greetings and thank you for the cordial and favorable impression I have of this Grand Commandery. Thank you.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you very much.

At this time we will have the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. Is he present?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I am going to make a guess that there is no member of the Jurisprudence Committee present. I believe drifting around the office sometime this morning a report may have been given. Let me search for it.

In the meatime I suggest that you go on to the next item of business.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you very much.

I would like now to call upon another of our distinguished guests, M.I. Frank Balcomb, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters in Massachusetts, for a few words.

M.I. FRANK BALCOMB: R. E. Grand Commander, Sir Knights and distinguished guests. Up until now I thought that the Grand Commandery was to be enjoyed by keeping quiet. Now you have asked me to say a few words. This great Frater on my left said to make it short. Everywhere I go they don't give me a chance and someday I am going to get started.

I will tell you this. I bring you the greetings of the Grand Council and I am watching what goes on very carefully because in November I will have finished my three years of office. Where your Grand Commander goes out every year you don't have them in long enough to get attached, but I have to find out how to do it. I assume when I go out of office in December I will feel somewhat like you do, George, but at least I will have had a longer period to get used to the office and I can stand up and say that we had a net gain. It was a small one but it was on the plus side and we worked for it. I don't know what our membership is because the returns are coming in but it is only through work that we can get these gains, properly planned work. It isn't just sitting on the sidelines and enjoying our jewels and our chapeaus.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: M.I., that was an inspiring talk.

At this time I would like to call on M.I. John E. Johnson, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters in Rhode Island.

M.I. JOHN E. JOHNSON: R.E. Sir, Sir Knights and distinguished guests. I want to bring you the greetings of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Rhode Island and my own personal greetings, and I also want to thank you, R. E. Sir, for the fine hospitality you showed my wife and I last evening.

I had a very pleasing experience one week ago in that a young neighborhood boy who lived across the street from me he came up to me and said, "Mr. Johnson, I would like to become a Mason." This to me was the greatest reward the boy could have give me because through me he must have seen something he liked in me as a person, as we were saying earlier this morning, if we live by our ideals I think we will have Masons in years to come. The young Masons to come must be looking up to us as an example.

So again the morning is getting warm and the dinner I assume is fairly near. It is a pleasure being here and thank you again for your hospitality.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, M.I., you have graced us with your presence.

We will go on with the report of the Membership Committee.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: The Chairman of the Membership Committee has just taken new employment and he did not feel it proper to ask for a day off having just begun this new employment. So he requested that I read you his report.

Report of the Membership Committee

(1967)

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery, K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

The program instituted this year with a hope for better results in membership recruitment either has not had sufficient time in which to show its effectiveness or it did not get the support from member Sir Knights which is so essential for success. The essence of this program is the compilation of statistics on Blue Lodge and Chapter candidates throughout this Grand Commandery jurisdiction. It is incumbent upon our membership to provide Grand Commandery with Blue Lodge and Chapter notices to make available the required information. The degree of cooperation on this point is the determining factor of the efficacy of the program. Each Commandery membership committee was provided a list of subordinate lodges within their jurisdiction.

Our sustained losses from year to year are gradually but remorselessly reducing the ranks of Massachusetts and members has now reduced our total membership well below 14,000.

Of 422 petitions recorded this year, there were 370 Knightings which combined with other factors, shows gross additions of 407 members.

We attained just under 50% of our petition-quota of 850. It is necessary that we assign a petition-quota to each Commandery, in order that we may have a yardstick to measure our work. However, by and of themselves, quotas provide little incentive to work for new candidates.

To repeat what has been said many times in the past, there is no substitute for an active, aggressive membership committee in each Commandery to assume the responsibility for obtaining new candidates. This means that they

must make an effort to interest all Sir Knights in working toward this objective. Unless we can broaden the base of participation by the membership-at-large, there is scant hope for substantial improvement. However, where there has been strong and determined leadership, successes have been achieved.

A meeting of the Membership Committee was held at the Grand Commandery offices with the Grand Commander and the Grand Recorder in attendance. The plans now in effect were adopted at that time. It should be stated at this time that the considerable amount of detail and research work involved in this program was done by the Grand Recorder, G. Burton Long, P.G.C.

It still appears that not enough is being done from June to September in the matter of candidates. Unless efforts to have many more candidates at the beginning of the year are made, another poor year is the prospect. There is no time in which to recover lost ground.

Petition Quota Attainment by Divisions

Division	*Committeeman*	*Percent of Quota*
Metropolitan	John A. Chalker	36.26
Southeast	Carl R. Mitchell	54.17
Metropolitan-North	Warren H. Shaw	42.74
Northeast	Norman P. Smith	52.22
Central	Clifton S. Robertson	54.55
Southwest	Leland F. Ross, Jr.	44.79
Metropolitan-South	Irving L. E. Steffen	57.89
Western	Paul W. Dixon, Sr.	70.12

Each of these Committeemen has given of his time and effort to help develop a sound program. We ask all of you to help next year.

Courteously submitted,

FOR THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Ralph L. Connolly, P.C.
Chairman

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I move you, Sir, that the report of the Membership Committee be received and spread upon the records. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: All those in favor of accepting the report of the Membership Committee extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R. E. Grand Commander, he also submits another report which is more or less

statistical. I see no point in reading it. It is merely a repetition.

If you will permit me, I was asked this question last night, on membership changes for 1967 there were 13 Commanderies of the 50 that show a net gain and there were 4 Commanderies that remain unchanged for the year. I think those are the figures that would be of most interest to you. This will be included with the Membership Chairman's report.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP PROGRESS AND PUBLICITY

To the Officers and Members of This Grand Commandery, K.T., of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES—LAST FIVE YEARS

1966 Membership was 14,065.

	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963
Knighted	370	511	410	566	385
Affiliated	13	24	23	25	23
Reinstated	24	21	14	15	15
Errors	0	0	3	2	1
Gross Additions	407	556	450	608	424
Deaths	410	425	441	463	431
Demits	153	163	139	134	114
Suspensions	101	138	133	146	131
Errors	1	21	5	4	2
Gross Terminations	665	747	718	747	678
Net Loss	258	191	268	139	254
Percentage Change	1.83	1.34	1.85	.95	1.70

1967 Total Membership:

Massachusetts	12,021
Rhode Island	1,786
	13,807

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES—1967

Thirteen Commanderies had net gains in membership totaling 73 members. Thirty-three Commanderies had net losses totaling 331 members and four Commanderies showed no change. Net gains resulted as follows:

Commandery	*Net Gain*	*Commandery*	*Net Gain*
Newburyport	6	Trinity	6
St. Bernard	1	Natick	1
Bethany	5	Bay State	9
Northampton	2	Thomas Smith Webb	10
Springfield	12	Coeur de Lion	11
Sutton	5	Temple	2
Winslow Lewis	3		

DeMolay, Old Colony, Cyprus and Beauseant Commanderies remained unchanged in total membership for the year.

On the net loss side Boston Commandery was first with a loss of 45 members; Calvary Commandery followed with a loss of 26; Worcester County Commandery lost 25; Olivet Commandery lost 23; and St. John's and Gethsemane Commanderies lost 20 members each.

DEATHS, DEMITS AND SUSPENSIONS

Our loss of members by death during the past year total 410. Though this was the smallest such loss in five years, it still represents almost 3% of our total membership. In two of the past five years, deaths alone have exceeded all additions of new members.

Members lost by demit still present a most serious threat to our progress, although the 153 demits granted during the year was 10 less than in 1966. Because of the fact that most demits are issued near the end of the year, there is no way in which advance information in this area can be obtained. Grand Commandery must of necessity rely on the effectiveness of the local officers in keeping demits to a minimum.

It is noted with some satisfaction that the 101 members suspended this year represents a substantial decline in comparison to such losses in each of the past five years. This was a central theme of our efforts and represents the best area of improvement. Even so, a 50% reduction next year is essential.

AFFILIATIONS AND REINSTATEMENTS

Affiliations were down from last year, totaling 13. Reinstatements, 24, showed a gain this year, exceeding the number for any of the preceding five years. This is an area in which much work should be done.

The overall results for 1967 were disappointing in that the percentage of petitions recorded as against our quota fell to 49.64%. This is an interesting statistic but actually tells us little. A more meaningful comparison is one between the 422 petitions recorded and the 370 members Knighted.

Nine Commanderies reached or exceeded their quota of petitions, six less than last year.

The statstical leaders in petition-quota attainment are as follows:

		Petitions	*% of Quota*	*Knighted*
1.	Woonsock No. 24.....	13	144.44	7
2.	Natick No. 33	25	138.88	20
3.	Trinity No. 32	16	133.33	12
4.	Springfield No. 6	30	115.38	28
5.	Old Colony No. 15	15	115.38	11
6.	Bethany No. 17	9	112.50	8

DeMolay Commandery No. 7 again contributed the largest number of petitions for any single Commandery with 33; Springfield No. 6 was second with 30 and Sutton Commandery No. 16 was third with 27.

Those areas in which some improvement was shown, namely suspensions, reinstatements and demits, constitute a ray of hope for much better results in the coming year. It is necessary, though, that we be alert to the need for a constant review of the status of all members.

My thanks to the Grand Commandery Office and the Grand Recorder for all assistance rendered during this term.

Courteously submitted,

RALPH L. CONNOLLY, P.C., *Director*

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. Report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: R. E. Grand Commander, some years ago R. E. Sir Harold Crocker was Chairman of this Committee. His report consisted of one word, progress. I told Harold last night that with his permission I would make the same report today, progress.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: I don't know, we will have to take a vote on that.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Move to receive the report. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Moved and seconded to receive the report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. All in favor extend the sword arms. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

At this time, Sir Knights, I would like to call upon Sir Knight and Ill. Laurence E. Eaton, 33°, Deputy for Massachusetts, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

ILL. LAURENCE E. EATON: R. E. Grand Commander, distinguished guests and Sir Knights. Again it has been my happy privilege and that of Mrs. Eaton to enjoy the hospitality of this Grand Commandery.

We in Scottish Rite I believe, particularly in this area, pride ourselves on the time and work we put into our Degree work which we try to make of the very best and we advise our members to go back to their Blue Lodges and support them because the Blue Lodge is the foundation of all Masonry. Men who have had this experience in Degree work can well help a Blue Lodge in many ways by offering suggestions.

A couple of things that I am thinking of that I see occasionally which certainly could be improved which would improve the image of Masonry to the community, are occasions where there is a Masonic funeral and you find the officers reading the Ritual as though they never read it before and making a break in the wrong place as they turn the page so it hardly makes sense. that certainly does not create the proper image to the public.

Another one that I am thinking of that I witnessed not long ago was a public installation, the most horrible job I ever saw in my life, and that is one of the times I wonder how many people who came to that have a favorable impression of our Fraternity. That is the place for us to go and work, back in the Blue Lodges.

R. E. Grand Commander, it is my personal privilege to bring you my own greetings and that of the Scottish Rite of Massacuhsetts and to assure you that if in any way Scottish Rite and York Rite can work together we are happy to do it.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: This is the report of the Committee on Printing.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

Boston, Mass., September 19, 1967

This Committee made every effort to keep the cost of the printing of the 1966 Proceedings of the Grand Commandery to a minimum for the quality of paper used and the workmanship involved. As in previous years, it is faced with the problems of increased cost of materials, the increased cost of labor for printing, and also increased cost of postage for mailing, etc. The prime question in the printing of our proceedings is what must be printed and what can be eliminated.

It is with pleasure that we report that with the excellent cooperation of the Mitchell-Fleming Company, we were able to have 250 copies printed at a cost not exceeding our budget. We will endeavor to keep the printing of the 1966 Proceedings within the figure submitted by the Finance Committee.

We recommend that only the essence of long discussions or speeches be printed in the Proceedings, as full transcripts are bound and on file in the Grand Commandery Office.

Courteously submitted,

George C. Patton, Jr., Chairman
Gordon C. Player
G. Burton Long

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Will somebody make a motion.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: I so move. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: You have heard the motion and second that the report of the Printing Committee be accepted. All in favor extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

Next is the report of the Inspection and Tactics Committee.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTION AND TACTICS COMMITTEE

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery K. T., Inc. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Sir Knights:

A change was made in the Marking by adding penalties for including Sir Knights in the work of the evening who were not bona-fide members or an honorary member of the Commandery being inspected.

The Committee wishes to report that no business requiring its attention has been presented for its consideration in 1966-1967.

Courteously submitted,

George C. Patton, Jr., Chairman
Harold S. Crocker
Wilbur F. Garabedian
Franklin H. Michelsen
G. Burton Long

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Move its acceptance. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Moved and seconded the acceptance of the report of the Committee on Inspection and Tactics. All in favor extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

Are you ready for the report on Jurisprudence?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Very interestingly, as I said before, this was buried in the rubbish of the Temple and it was brought to light by the M. I. Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters.

A letter to the R. E. Grand Recorder.

"In accordance with your request I am enclosing report of the Jurisprudence Committee for the year 1967. It was a real pleasure to serve with you and I am sorry I no longer feel able to do so. With kindest personal regards, courteously yours, George B. Rowell."

The report of the Jurisprudence Committee

September 12, 1967

G. Burton Long, Grand Recorder
405 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachuseets 02116

Dear Burt:

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing herewith report of the Jurisprudence Committee for the year 1967.

It was a real pleasure to serve with you and I am sorry that I no long feel able to continue to do so.

With kindest personal regards,

Courteously yours,

George B. Rowell
September 19, 1967

Right Eminent Grand Commander George C. Patton, Jr.:

As Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee 1966/1967, I submit the following report.

On October 27, 1966, G. Burton Long, Grand Recorder, was advised that the matter of the change of date of the Annual Meeting could be recorded on the regular papers forming the Annual Report of the Grand Commandery Corporation to the Commonwealth and did not require the filing of a separate paper.

With respect to a situation in which a Commander of a Constituent Commandery had been disabled and the Generalissimo had been fulfilling the duties of Commander, an opinion was given on April 24, 1967 on the question of the effect of a resignation by the Commander in his right and that of the Generalissimo to the status of Past Commander upon completion of the year.

On June 28, 1967, Amendments to the By-Laws of Bristol Commandery No. 29 K. T. were approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and a copy of these changes is annexed to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

George B. Rowell, Chairman
Jurisprudence Committee

May 9, 1967

Donald F. Freberg—Recorder
20 Clarner Street
Pawtucket, RI 026861
R. E. G. Burton Long, Grand Recorder
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc.
405 Masonic Temple
186 Tremont Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02111

Dear Sir Knight Burt:

At our Stated Conclave on May 5, 1967 these proposed changes in the by-laws of Bristol Commandery No. 29 K. T.

received a unanimous vote of approval. I have made the necessary revision as was suggested, and I am now resubmitting them for approval. In triplicate.

Courteously yours,

Donald F. Freberg—Recorder

ARTICLE VI

Now Reads | Now Reads

DUTIES OF TRUSTEES

Sec. 4. Paragraph 1: The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the Permanent Fund and Life Membership Fund and shall cause the same to be invested in such manner and in such securities as in their judgment shall be safest and most productive and shall select a place of deposit for the securities and vouchers where they will be secure from fire and theft. They shall pay to the Treasurer for the use of the Commandery, the income derived from said Permanent and Life Membership Funds, providing the Standing Committee on Finance so require.

ARTICLE VI

To Read | To Read

DUTIES OF TRUSTEES

Sec. 4. Paragraph 1: The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the Permanent Fund and Life Membership Fund and shall cause the same to be invested in such manner and in such securities as in their judgement shall be safest and most productive and shall select a place of deposit for the securities and vouchers where they will be secure from fire and theft. Providing the Standing Committee on Finance require funds for the payment of bills and anticipated bills of the Commandery, they may either orally or by letter, request from the Trustees a sufficient amount or all of the income derived from the Permanent and Life Membership Funds which sums shall be paid to the Recorder who shall make record thereof and pay the same to the Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI

Trustees of the Permanent Fund

Sec. 3. Page 9, Row 1 Delete the word, Conclave, and insert the word, Election.

ARTICLE VI

PERMANENT FUND

Sec. 1. Add to the last line paragraph 3. the words, at the close of the Annual Conclave.

ARTICLE VI

PERMANENT FUND

Life Membership Fund

Sec. 2. Add to the last line paragraph 3. the words, at the close of the Annual Conclave.

ARTICLE VII

Now Reads | Now Reads

CHARITY FUND

Paragraph 2. To it shall be added all money contributed by the Sir Knights at the several Conclaves of the Commandery and the moneys received from all other sources for this special purpose. The Fund shall be held in the name of Bristol Commandery, designated "Charity Fund" and it shall be drawn only by the Trustees on written order signed by at least two members of the Council. A statement of the condition of the Fund shall be reported at each Annual Conclave of the Commandery.

ARTICLE VII

To Read | To Read

CHARITY FUND

Paragraph 2. To it shall be added all money contributed by the Sir Knights of Bristol Commandery No. 29 and the moneys received from all sources for this special purpose. The Fund shall be held in the name of Bristol Commandery No. 29, designated "Charity Fund" and it shall be drawn only by the Commander with the approval of the majority of the Standing Committee on Finance. A statement of the condition of the Fund shall be reported at each Annual Conclave of Bristol Commandery No. 29, a copy of this statement shall be given to the Recorder in duplicate to be deposited in the records.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I move the adoption of this report and that it be spread upon the record. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Moved and seconded that the report of the Jurisprudence Committee be received. All in favor extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is an order and I so declare it.

Now I call on the Inspector Instructor for his report.

September 19, 1967

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Mass. and Rhode Island:

The Fifty Commanderies held their inspections this year with 13 earning a mark of 10—, 24 a mark of 9+, 12 a mark of 9 and 1 a mark of 9—.

This year three Commanders did the work with the loss of only two points. 21 Commanders lost less than 10 points.

The Commanderies lost from 5 to 130 points for an average loss of 49.8 points per Commandery.

The highest mark was earned by Haverhill Commandery No. 4 with a mark of 995.

There were 12 Commanderies who lost points for not making their count and 17 Commanderies who were forced to use non-members in their lines and lost points.

The Exemplifications were held at Pawtucket, Northampton, and Melrose with the Exemplification Team Conferring the Order of the Temple at Brockton, Springfield and Melrose for York Rite Festivals.

As I now finish serving 11 Grand Commanders and now retire, I wish to thank the Grand Commanders who appointed me and the 60 Sir Knights who have served on the Exemplification Teams as Marking Officers during this time.

Courteously yours,

Thomas C. Brown
Inspector Instructor

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Tom, I am sure that applause speaks for itself. You know how grateful I am and I think I speak for all the Past Grand Commanders you served under. We are going to miss you but we hope to see you around.

You have all heard the report of the Inspector Instructor. What is your pleasure?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I move its acceptance and inclusion in the proceedings. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: All in favor extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is an order and I so declare it.

A this time we will have Wayne Soucey presented to the East.

E. SIR WAYNE SOUCEY: R. E. Grand Commander, I thank you for the honor of being able to bring our student minister in today. I would like to present to you Mr. Daniel O. Curtis, a minister in the Community Church at East Gloucester. We have selected Gordon College and the Dean of the College has recommended this gentleman as a candidate to receive the grant that we give him today. I would like to have you make the presentation.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Glad to.

Rev. Donald O. Curtis, it is with great pleasure that I present to you this check made available by the Presiding Council Club Student Foundation. I know you must have worked real hard to have attained the approbation of your Dean and it is our hope that this will be used in furtherance of the work of your choice and that you will be successful in your quest for full education in your chosen profession.

REV. DANIEL O. CURTIS: Thank you very much.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: E. Sir Wayne Soucey, we thank you for bringing this young man here and we wish for you, and I know I speak for the rest of the Grand Commandery, that you continue in your work. Would you face about so that the folks can see what you look like.

I would like for you to give them a hand.

E. SIR WAYNE SOUCEY: Sir Knights, this is Templary at work.

R. E. Grand Commander, again I thank you for the privilege of standing before this august body and making this donaton.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, Sir.

Sir Knight Grand Captain of the Guard, will you retire and escort Sir Knight Henry Edwin Webster into the Asylum.

E. SIR L. RAYMOND WYATT: R. E. Grand Commander, I have the privilege to present to you Sir Knight Henry Edwin Webster.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knight Henry Webster, when I asked you to come to this Grand Commandery meeting I didn't expect you to sit in the anteroom. You could have sat in here and listened to the proceedings even if you didn't have a vote.

Of course, you know this is the worst kept secret of the year but I have the honor to announce, that Sir Knight Henry Edwin Webster, upon the nomination of the Grand Commander and Sir Knight G. Burton Long, R. E. Past Grand Commander, Ralph Connolly, Past Grand Commander of Hugh de Payens, Lester Bowen, the Junior Past Grand Commander of Hugh de Payens, and Sir Knight Roy Reed, the presiding Commander of Hugh de Payens, was nominated to receive the Knight Templar Cross of Honor and the Grand Master in acknowledging the acceptance of that nomination commented as follows.

"Your nomination for the award of the Knight Templar Cross of Honor to Sir Knight Henry Edwin Webster of Hugh de Payen Commadnery No. 20 of Melrose, Massachusetts, has been approved by me and is being forwarded forthwith to the Right Eminent Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment in Chicago for processing. You will receive the citation and medal which will be mailed direct to you. I congratulate you on the selection of such an outstanding Templar for this high honor. I have had no finer endorsement than that supplied by you."

S.K. Henry Edwin Webster, it is the privilege of the Grand Encampment to accept one nomination from each Jurisdiction each year. It gives me a great deal of personal pleasure to present this citation to you. I know it will have an honored place in your home. I pin on your breast this beautiful cross, the Knight Templar Cross of Honor. I know you will wear it as long as you live with honor to yourself and with credit to our Fraternity. May I congratulate you.

If you wish you may say something but if you don't, tell me.

SIR KNIGHT HENRY E. WEBSTER: R. E. Grand Commander, I accept this recognition and award in a spirit of deep humility and in all honesty I feel that there were others who could well have been considered as well as myself. Seeing that the award was made to me I am deeply, deeply grateful. I give you my sincere thanks and to those working so closely with you who saw fit to consider me and submit my name to the M.E. Grand Master. I give you my word that as long as life shall last I shall strive to live under the precepts of Knights Templary,

under the leadership of my Lord Jesus Christ in Whom I believe and put my faith and trust.

One other thing I would ask of you, that in your kindness if you would convey to the M. E. Grand Master my thanks for the fact that he was willing to consider me and on that basis grant me this recognition. Again I thank you.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Is this the time for us to make the other presentations? R. E. Grand Recorder, will you read off the citations.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: If you will come down on the floor with me we will present them.

AWARDED FOR HAVING ATTAINED MEMBERSHIP QUOTA

Springfield Commandery No. 6, K.T.—Robert A. Meffin, Commander
Old Colony Commandery No. 15, K.T.—Henry E. Sawyer, Commander
Bethany Commandery No. 17, K.T.—Leland B. Cole, Commander
Winslow Lewis Commandery No. 18, K.T.—Stuart E. Lauckner, Commander
Connecticut Valley Commandery No. 23, K.T.—Donald S. Robinson, Commander
Northampton Commandery No. 30, K.T.—Charles L. Blanchard, Commander
Trinity Commandery No. 32, K.T.—William J. Milyaro, Commander
Natick Commandery No. 33, K.T.—Robert M. MacKenzie, Commander
Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34, K.T.—W. Wilson Fowle, Commander
Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51, K.T.—David W. Blood, Jr., Commander

AWARDED FOR OUTSTANDING EFFORT FOR THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

Sir Knight Frank G. Holt, Jr., P.C.—Haverhill Commandery No. 14, K.T.
Sir Knight George H. Andrews, P.C.—Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34, K.T.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT CERTIFICATES AWARDED FOR HAVING OBTAINED 10% OR MORE OF MEMBERSHIP AS LIFE SPONSORS

St. John's Commandery No. 1, K.T.
Newburyport Commandery No. 3, K.T.
St. Bernard Commandery No. 12, K.T.
Haverhill Commandery No. 14, K.T.
Jerusalem Commandery No. 19, K.T.
St. Omer Commandery No. 21, K.T.
Berkshire Commandery No. 22, K.T.
South Shore Commandery No. 31, K.T.
Natick Commandery No. 33, K.T.

Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34, K.T.
Cyprus Commandery No. 39, K.T.
Beauseant Commandery No. 41, K.T.
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46, K.T.
Temple Commandery No. 48, K.T.
Reading Commandery No. 50, K.T.
Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51, K.T.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R.E. Grand Commander, I wish to report to you, Sir, that this makes a total of 16 Commanderies that have attained 10 per cent or more of their membership as Life Sponsors. Fifteen certificates were presented today. The other Commandery is St. John's No. 1 of Providence, Rhode Island, who wrote direct to the Eye Foundation, contrary to our desires, received the certificate from them. I learned this by telephone last Friday while talking to Walter A. Delamater, the Executive Director. Once again I would urge that all Commanderies work through our Grand Commandery office so that our records may be complete and credit may be given where credit is due. I want to make sure that those from St. John's Commandery who are here today know that we know by way of the back door the fact that they have already received their certificate.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. I am sure everyone will take heed to that advice.

At this time I would like to call on the Eye Foundation Promotional Committee for a report.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, INC. PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., Promotional Committee had its first meeting on January 29, 1967, at the office of the Grand Commandery, following a delicious luncheon. Those present were as follows:

R. E. Sir George C. Patton, Jr., Grand Commander
R. E. Sir G. Burton Long, Past Grand Commander and Grand Recorder
Em. Sir Chester E. Oldmixon, Chairman
Em. Sir Philip Russell, Metropolitan Division
Em. Sir William R. Smith, South East Division
Em. Sir George H. Andrews, Metropolitan North Division
Em. Sir Frank G. Holt, Jr., North East Division
Em. Sir John M. Tassey, Central Division
Em. Sir Karl W. Benway, Western Division
Em. Sir Chester L. Crawford, Metropolitan South Division
Em. Sir C. Leigh Kingsford of the South West Division could not be present at this time.

The fact that this was our first meeting does not mean we were idle from October to January. Each member was serving a second term on this committee. Their quest for Life Sponsors did not falter since their first appointment in October, 1965. Our meeting was devoted to planning our course for the ensuing year. One of our goals was to send our Grand Commander to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar 50th Triennial Conclave at Detroit, Michigan, armed with a total of over 1,000 Life Sponsors of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. This goals was accomplished by many hours of travel and work by a devoted committee.

In answer to General Order No. 18, issued on September 15, 1966, calling upon every Knight Templar to cooperate in a systematic campaign to procure 10% of the total membership as Life Sponsors, this jurisdiction secured 13 commanderies with 10%, 2 Commanderies with over 20% and one commandery with over 50% of their membership as Life Sponsors. There are many commanderies that are very close to their goal of 10%.

The fact that the members of this committee are serving their second term has helped our cause greatly. Each member is aware of the action to be taken and procedure to follow in securing Life Sponsors for the Knights Templar Eye Foundaton.

This year we added "MEMORIALS" to our list of many ways to support this great humanitarian charity. The "MEMORIALS" made it possible for anyone to purchase a Life Sponsor Certificate in the name of a deceased Sir Knight. The results of this addition will appear in the statistics at the end of this report.

I want to commend two members of this committee who have done outstanding work in their own commanderies:

Em. Sir George H. Andrews, Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34, with a total of 101 Life Sponsors,
Em. Sir Frank G. Holt, Jr., Haverhill Commandery No. 14, with a total of 62 Life Sponsors.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. film was used twice this year. This film is available to every commandery or any organization.

May I take this opportunity to thank the members of this committee for their co-operation, devoted service and

many hours of hard work as shown by the following statistics:

September 1, 1967

1,135 Life Sponsors	$ 34,050
35 Patron Commanderies	4,650
14 Patrons (Other than Commanderies)	2,100
5 Associate Patrons	250
	$ 41,050

Total Paid by Assessments to June 30, 1967, inclusive..$140,839

20 Memorials have been purchased this year. This figure is included in the Life Sponsors listed above.

I have been asked to serve as chairman of this committee for another year. I am both honored and pleased to do so. I sincerely hope my present committee will serve another term with me. Working with these Sir Knights has been a pleasure and very rewarding to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., for they are doing "God's work."

Respectfully submitted,

Chester E. Oldmixon, Chairman
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.
Promotional Committee

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, sir Knight. Is there a motion?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I move the report be accepted and spread upon the records. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: All those in favor of the motion to accept will extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and I so declare it.

Following that we should have the report of the Eye Foundation Committee.

September 19, 1967

Sir Knights:

The Grand Commandery committee of the Eye Foundation has served now for nine years. In that time we have processed 11,000 cases and have spent in excess of $3,000,000. During the last year, however, the treatment of cases in Massachusetts and particularly in Rhode Island have diminished because of the influence of medicare and

public assistance. Your chairman wishes to call to your attention these regulations (herewith enclosed)

MEDICARE AND THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, INC.

Many inquiries are being made concerning the effect of the U. S. Government Medicare Program on the policies and operations of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Under what circumstances and to what extent will the Foundation assist persons sixty-five years of age or more, who are covered by Medicare?

The general procedure for assistance to applicants covered by Medicare is as follows:

1. SURGERY: For one covered by the medical part of the Medicare Program, who also meets our eligibility requirements, the Foundation will pay the first $50.00, plus 20% of the remainder fo costs for the services rendered. However, the total amount granted for may particular surgical procedure SHALL NOT EXCEED the amount that would be authorized for a person not covered by Medicare.

2. HOSPITALIZATION: Within the limitation just stated, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation will pay the first $40.00 for hospitalization plus 20% of the remainder of the bill. Medicare is responsible for the other 80%.

3. GLASSES, PROSTHESIS AND CONTACT LENSES: Inasmuch as Medicare does not cover costs of glasses, prosthesis, or contact lenses, the Foundation will pay for these items following necessary surgery, when they are considered as part of the surgery and requested by the doctor. The amount allowed will be in accordance with our fee schedule.

It must be remembered that Medicare assistance applies only to persons sixty-five years of age or older. In some instances persons are old enough to qualify for such assistance, but because they have failed to register cannot receive it until they have been registered for a period of six months. Such cases are few, but they do exist and must be considered. In such situations, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. will give the needed assistance based on its usual fee schedule for surgery and hospitalization, provided, of course, that the applicant conforms to the financial eligibility requirements.

Since more than fifty percent of all applications for assistance have come from individuals over sixty-five years

of age, the Medicare Program releases some of the funds of the Foundation for assistance to a steadily growing number of children with cross eyes (allowed up to sixteen years of age), as well as other surgery for persons in every age bracket.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc, is aware that in many localities the Medicare allowance for services of the Opthalmologist exceeds those allowed by the Foundation. No set Medicare surgery fee schedule has been put into effect to date. Sections of the country have determined their own fee allowance, in range groupings, according to what the area considers "fair and reasonable" amounts. Due to these circumstances, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. has adopted the procedures herein outlined.

The progress that our Foundation has made can be seen in the outstanding results in the better than 11,000 cases processed to date. A most favorable image, both within the United States and in foreign lands has been created. The future is certain to enlarge this image, and bring to more and more people the answer to their prayers for "Light in a dark world."

The committee on Life Sponsorship and Promotion have previously reported the facts and figures pertaining to the Eye Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

SAUNDERS W. SPOONER,
Chairman

THE GRAND COMMANDER: You have heard the report of the Eye Foundation Committee.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Move it be accepted and spread upon the records. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: All in favor signify by extending the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is an order and I so declare it.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R. E. Grand Commander, there is only one thing that I wish to point out to the gentlemen who spoke this morning. I am very proud and happy to tell them that this Grand Commandery is the sponsor for Haute Saone Priory, Order of Knighthood, for Senior DeMolay boys. It is our hope that prior to the end of this calendar year there will be not less than 100 boys in this Priory. I just wanted that to be put on the

record in reply to them to show that we have been doing something.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. Now for the boys in the Red Cords over there. My friends, if you have made a caucus as to who is going to address this august body at this time would you please make it known.

R. E. SIR NEIL R. BAKER: E. E. Grand Commander, the boys just elected me very suddenly. We do wish to convey our greetings to you at this Conclave this morning and to extend to you our best wishes for the courtesies that have been extended to us on our arrival here at Boston and also the way our ladies have been taken care of. Our greetings to you. Thank you.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, R. E. Sir, and I assure you that it has been a pleasure to be with you around the Jurisdictions. I am so glad you could be here.

Now, Sir Knights, it is my privilege to turn the chair over to the R. E. Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America Sir Knight Willard M. Avery who is our Inspecting Officer and the personal representative of Sir Knight John L. Crofts, Sr., our M. E. Grand Master.

RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER, MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, AND SIR KNIGHTS:

This is my first official visit as an elective Grand Encampment Officer; this is my first visit to a Grand Commandery in this part of the United States. I am sure that you are inspecting me as a Grand Officer more than I am going to be inspecting you as a GRAND COMMANDERY. During this Fall season I had the choice of representing the Grand Master at one of three Grand Commandery Conclaves. I chose this one, in that I wished to become better acquainted with the Sir Knights and Templary in this find old historic Grand Commandery. Everyone every place in Templary knows your locality, with St. Andrews Royal Arch Lodge and Thomas Smith Webb, was the cradle of Templary. I know that you are justly proud of this heritage.

It is indeed an honor to be the personal representative of our Most Eminent Grand Master, John Lawton Crofts, Sr. and to bring you his personal Knightly Greetings and best wishes. It is certainly a challenge to a Grand Master

of the Grand Encampment to follow a distinguished statesman and world renowned person as Jr. Past Grand Master, Wilber M. Brucker. It is the opinion of many in Templary that this Triennium headed by Grand Master Crofts will bring forth the most beneficial organizational and up to date changes that we have witnessed in our lifetime as Templars. Grand Master Crofts has the ability, zeal and courage to and will lead us in bringing these things about. A story, possibly a true one, is told of a visitor to Russia prior to the first World War, observing a guard in full military regalia marching backward and forward in the palace grounds hour after hour—back and forth with no apparent useful purpose to perform. The Sergeant was asked why the guard duty—but had no answer. Neither did the captain know why the guard walked his regular beat—neither did the General. Research conducted in the files of the Russian Army finally disclosed that more than 100 years before the guard had been ordered to walk the beat to protect the Czarina's newly planted rose bush—that although the rose bush had died many years prior, no one had in the meantime of more than 100 years seen fit to discontinue the guard duty. It is my opinion that Grand Master Crofts has no desire to continue such guard duty in Templary.

The directive of this Triennium is well set forth in the first editorial of our Grand Master in the September issue of the Knight Templar Magazine:

"*DIRECTION* is not a problem to us as we face the future. Through the extraordinary efforts of Grand Master Wilber M. Brucker and of Grand Master Paul M. Moore, we think all Templars must understand our mission. To be identified as Christian Warriors is our privilege. To carry a Christian witness into our communities, both as individuals and as an organization, is our duty.

PERFORMANCE, as individuals and as an organization, is our immediate concern. As Grand Master Brucker spoke in the language of the MARINER, let me now speak in the language of FLIGHT.

One of the facts of flying is headwinds. We know that certain factors of our day are adverse to Templar progress, as headwinds are to an aircraft. These same forces oppose the progress of the churches and of all other organizations that seek to extend the Master's work. The answer to head-

winds is improved PERFORMANCE, so that they will have less effect.

DESIGN—is a primary concern of aircraft manufacturers, and likewise of those Templars who feel the urgent need for high performance. At the Triennial Conclave just concluded, such need was clearly felt by an overwhelming majority of the delegates, and a more efficient Templar craft at the national leval was authorized. In such an atmosphere, the same sort of progress in every Grand Commandery should follow naturally.

Aircraft designers seek to eliminate all DRAG FACTORS, those things which work against forward progress, and so must we. Indolence, unconcern, devotion to the status quo and selfish desires must be eliminated if we are to excel in performance as our purposes demand.

Finally, performance depends upon effective THRUST, or power. Regardless of a beauty of design which may delight the eye, foward progress depends mainly upon a driving force. It is time to check *ALL ENGINES*. Grand Commanderies, district organizations and local Commanderies all must produce FULL THRUST, if we are to *GET UP ON THE WING* and *FLY RIGHT*!"

With this attitude of progressive change being prevalent on the Grand Encampment level, let us take a few minutes to examine some of the specific functional changes that are planned:

FIRST;

and possibly foremost among the planned changes is the modernization of the office of the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment and activities from this office. We are most fortunate in having in the person of Paul C. Rodenhouser, Grand Recorder, Past Grand Commander of Pennsylvania, a professional public relations and publicity expert with a wealth of Templary background and the vigor of manhood to head this undertaking of the work of the Grand Recorder's office.

Without this we could in no way hope for success. Paul was made editor of the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE as of the next issue and we can look forward to a professional rather than an amateur publication such as we have had in the past. More emphasis can and will be placed on accomplishing a desired result rather than reporting an accomplished fact. As most of you know, the Knight Templar will be mailed to every member of Templary

starting July 1, 1969. Data processing equipment will be installed in the office prior to that date and the staff will be increased. Within the next several months we will have an up-to-date fully manned Grand Recorder's Office that can and will be most helpful to Templary. I am greatly encouraged by the future prospects in this phase of the work.

SECOND:

We generally point to the work of the Knight Templar Educational Foundation with pride and satisfaction. Your record in this Grand Jurisdiction has over the past years been very satisfactory. This Grand Encampment committee is now being chairmaned by Oliver S. Willham, P.G.C. of Oklahoma, who recently retired as President of Panhandle A.& M. College of Goodwell, Oklahoma, and who for more than 31 years prior to becoming president of the college was a professor at Oklahoma University. The rules of the Educational Foundation have not been revised for approximately 15 years and they are now under revision with an idea of keeping the administration in local hands as it always has been but making uniform the rules under which the funds are being administered. It is felt that in so doing it will be possible to advertise and disseminate information on a national basis and thereby greatly increase the loans. Some of the changes are as follows:

(1). The Grand Recorder will be the Secretary-Treasurer in each Grand Jurisdiction, but will not be a member of the Committee.

(2). The interest rate will be uniform and will be 5% from date of graduation or termination of schooling.

(3). The loan limit to any student raised to $3000.00 with a provision that $2500.00 may be loaned during the last year of schooling.

(4). Loans are still made only to those students requiring only 2 years to finish their course.

(5). More emphasis and responsibility will be placed at the local Commandery level with a desire to obtain participation from the local Commanderies.

THIRD:

Our great charity is our KNIGHT TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, INC. Apparently everyone in this Grand Jurisdiction knows and appreciates the wonderful work the Foundation is doing as evidenced by the 1135 Life

Sponsors that you had as of August 31. No basic change was made at the Detroit Trienniel relative to the Foundation. I urge you to continue your fine support of this most deserving project.

FOURTH:

The committee on ritualistic matters of the Grand Encampment is chairmaned by Virgil Kent, P.G.C., of Ohio Jr. Past Department Commander of the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment. From all indications a number of changes will be forthcoming offering options to reduce the requirements for smaller units to do ritualistic work and to more adequately provide for festivals at which large classes are initiated.

Time will not permit me to go into further discussion of proposed work of other committees other than to say that from all indications you may reasonably expect to receive direction and help from many Grand Encampment committees during this Triennium Line with the prevaling theme of modernizing our mechanics of operation, but maintaining our well established Christian direction.

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, a Knight Templar, in his address at the Waldorf at the wonderful Sesquicentennial Celebration, said in substance that only the occupants of cemeteries are free from problems here on this earth—only when we are dead we have no earthly problems. Following this standard, Templary is not dead—for we certainly have two MAJOR and possibly related PROBLEMS:

(1)—Loss in membership.
(2)—York Rite Unity.

Unless we find a solution for the loss in membership and get on the "plus" rather than the "minus" side of the ledger soon—we certainly cannot look forward to Templary in its present form, leave alone what we hope it may become. This problem can only be overcome on the local commandery level, but you can and should look for assistance and direction from the Grand Encampment in this undertaking.

The term "York Rite Unity" means many things; almost every interested companion and Sir Knight has his own ideas as to what should be done; various areas of the United States have different ideas as to what is for the

best for York Rite. It would appear from the discussion at Detroit that this subject is not a dead issue. The General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council and Grand Encampment have committees appointed to further discuss the problems and I feel reasonably sure that at least the Grand Encampment Committee will have positive recommendations when we meet in Denver. There seemed to be a definite feeling at Detroit that the "status quo" was generally not acceptable.

Although finances are not particularly a vital problem, I should call to your attention the fact that the Grand Encampment program is costing each of us more money. Each Sir Knight through their Grand Commandery will be paying as of June 30, 1968, annually—the sum of 34 cents to the Grand Encampment, (prior assessment 18c) and as of June 30, 1969, the total pay to the Grand Encampment will be $1.00 annually per member, which will include the subscription to the Knight Templar Magazine.

We are in a time of change and we earnestly feel a time of progress; that better days are ahead for Templary. The Grand Encampment program will largely be directed in each Department by your DepartmentCommander.When the Grand Master or his personal representative is not present, the Department Commander represents the Grand Encampment. Look to him for assistance and follow his guidance. You are most fortunate to have Sir Knight Frank L. Bourke, a dedicated Sir Knight, to serve as your Right Eminent Department Commander for this Triennium. We are looking forward to much progress under his able leadership.

I sincerely thank you for all of your courtesies to Mrs. Avery and myself, and wish for you the best in Templary.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, R. E. Sir.

Burt, do we go to new business or go to lunch?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I have some old business. Would those who have Rituals and were requested to give them to me prior to nine o'clock, give them to me directly on return from the noonday luncheon. If you remember, you know that one cannot be installed until such time as their Ritual has been accounted for.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Unless there was something urgent to come up under new business at this time we will recess for lunch.

(Recess for lunch from 1:10 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.)

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Sir Knights, your attention please. Will the members of the Board of Directors of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island please report to the Recorder's desk.

(Short business meeting of the Board of Directors held at this time.)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, your attention please. E. Grand Captain of the Guard, you will present the Grand Warder to the East.

E. SIR L. RAYMOND WYATT: R. E. Grand Commander, it is my privilege to present to you the Grand Warder, Sir Knight Leonard Hoft.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: I suppose you know why I had you brought up here.

E. SIR LEONARD H. HOFT: Not a bit.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: This brings to a conclusion our official relationship which has been very pleasant all through our years coming through the Line. I don't like to get too emotional about this thing, Lenny, but you have been an awfully good friend, a strong right arm. Your counsel has been wise and you have told me when I was out of line which I appreciate very, very much. You will never know how much your sincerity, your trustworthiness and your patience has meant to me and I would like at this time to present these to you. I know it is not the end. I wish you would replace your shoulder boards with these because I know the new Grand Warder is going to want them. Here is the rosette for the side of your chapeau and it gives me a great deal of pleasure to personally pin on your coat this Past Grand Warder's jewel. I hope, Lenny, that you will be able to wear that for many, many years with much pleasure to yourself as you have given me in our association.

E. SIR LEONARD H. HOFT: Thank you very much. I might say, R. E. Sir, that these last eight years have been a lot of fun and I have met a lot of fine friends and I have enjoyed every bit of it. All good things must come to an end but that is only in Commandery. Thank you very much, George, it has been a pleasure working with you.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Is there any new business to come before this Grand Commandery?

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: R. E. Grand Commander, perhaps I shouldn't delay you at this time but for just a minute. I was one of those who was at Detroit and even with fear of being too critical I was not

too satisfied with the Detroit convention. I was never so pleased as I was to participate in a Triennial presided over by a man of the abilities of our Junior Past Grand Master with his diplomacy and his fairness, but the manner in which the disputed items were disposed of was to my mind a grave disappointment.

It was somewhat disillusioning in fact with reference to the vote on making every Knight Templar in America an enforced subscriber to a new magazine. The total vote in favor and the total vote against exceeded by a subtsantial amount the number of Sir Knights who were present and entitled to vote which was a little disillusioning.

I don't think that the members of this Grand Commandery have been told and I think perhaps they had better get the bad news now that although the estimated cost of this new magazine arrangement was reputed to be some 66 cents, including postage and 12 issues a year and a four page insert which would be forwarded, we will say, from Massachusetts and included, the eventual figures it appears are now up to a dollar and I am one of those pessimistic enough to believe it can't be done for a dollar. But for whatever it is done for each Knight Templar in Massachusetts and Rhode Island is going to get an additional per capita tax of 80 odd cents as a minimum.

In addition to that each one of the 50 Recorders I know will be real pleased to learn that they are going to keep a standard list of the names and addresses for each of their members available in the central office. If you are a Recorder for a Commandery of any size whatever the number of changes of address in the course of two or three months, let alone deaths, will keep you fairly busy.

My own feeling is that any monthly magazine to be of any real value the news has got to be reasonably fresh and in view of the type of postage they have to use to bring it down to a dollar how in the Lord's world they are going to keep up an accurate membership list of all the Knights Templar in the United States I don't know.

But in any event it passed. I am very glad to go on record as stating sitting with the Grand Recorder there were two votes at least from this area against.

The second disillusioning point was despite the rebuff by the General Grand Chapter and the General Grand Council last October no affirmative action was taken one way or another at Detroit or a stand taken or any real

recognition taken of the indefinite postponement of any hope whatever for York Rite Unity.

So let's not come back and tell the boys that all was rosy and it was a highly successful convention and that all is well with the world because that is really not so.

Now various factors are given for the reason for our failing to get more members and I say that one of the chief factors for the decline of the York Rite is the time that it takes, especially in this area of the country, to complete the York Rite. As of the close of 1950, and I am going to prove it by this point because the Scottish Rite tells us and I am a member of that, as of the close of 1950 there were 164 more Knights Templar in Massachusetts than there were 32° Masons, believe it or not, 11,487 as against 11,323. This year there are 6,879 more 32° Masons in Massachusetts than there are Knights Templar. In other words, 18,860 as against 12,021. For the four year period ending with 1966 Scottish Rite shows a net gain of 718, Grand Commandery a net loss of 1,783, Templary a net loss of 856. This past year with a membership of 18,000-odd Scottish Rite shows a net loss of only 12. Templary in Massachusetts with a membership of 12,021 shows a net loss of 202.

Now I don't advocate membership in any fraternal organization in the shortest possible time but there is a happy medium and we are being told that the future of Masonry and the future of Templary is to get young men into this Order and I say to you that not only the high type professional man and the high type successful business man but the average coming young man will not spend night after night, month after month, joining the York Rite or any other Rite, and I say that advisedly and to prove my point I say the reason for the big change between 1950 and now between the growing membership of the Scottish Rite and the York Rite in this State is primarily due to that one point because no man is going to give up a year to a year and a half to go from Blue Lodge to Templary when he can twice a year do the same thing and get his 32° Degree in less than a month. That is the weakness with our setup and that is why I say that it was pitiful to see the whole question of York Rite Unity swept under the rug not until the next Triennial but until time shall be no more.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, R. E. Sir. I am sure I don't have the solution to the problem this

afternoon, I wish I did, but your remarks are timely and I am sure they will be fruitful. Thank you, Robert.

Anyone else have anything to bring before this Grand Commandery before I turn it over to the Installing Officer?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: R. E. Grand Commander, I wish to read a paper. It is to be read, received, and does not require any comment. It is a proposed amendment to the Grand Commandery Constitution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE GRAND COMMANDERY CONSTITUTION

The following Amendment is submitted by R. E. Sir G. Burton Long at the 164th Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery

To amend ARTICLE XVIII Section 2 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Order of Massachusetts and Rhode Island by striking out the word "tenth" in the second and twelfth lines of said section and substituting the word "first" and by striking out the words "one dollar four and one half cents" and substituting the words "two dollars." Said section will then read:

ARTICLE XVIII Section 2

Every Constituent Commandery shall make annually to the Grand Recorder on or before the first of August, a return of the Roll of Officers and members and of all candidates for the Orders accepted or rejected up to and including June 30 next preceding and pay to this Grand Commandery seven dollars for every Knight receiving the Order of the Temple and two dollars plus the amount of Per Capita dues assessed by Grand Encampment for every member returned and from the sum thus collected shall be member levied by the Grand Encampment. A Commandery failing to make said annual return on or before the first day of August shall pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

This will be brought up at our next conclave.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: There is no action to be taken on it today.

R. E. Sir Harold Sprague, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, do you have a report?

R. E. SIR HAROLD W. SPRAGUE: R. E. Grand Commander. To the Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Sir Knights,

the Nominating Committee of this Grand Commandery submit the following report.

For R. E. Grand Commander, Gordon C. Player; Deputy Grand Commander, Norman L. Staveley; Grand Generalissimo, Jack Richard Baker; Grand Captain General, Elmer E. Palmer; Grand Treasurer, Rober Gardiner Wilson, Jr.; Grand Recorder, G. Burton Long.

Trustee of the Grand Fund for three years, Hubert M. Bernard, Jr.

Also for the Educational Committee, previous to action a year ago when the By-laws or Constitution were amended the Educational Committee was an appointed Committee. It now becomes an elected Committee and for this year we will elect the entire membership of the Committee but with staggered dates of expiration so once this is established one each year can be elected and be back on the same rerangement when the members were appointed only now they will be elected. I hope I have made that clear.

The nominees for the Educational Committee are Robert E. Powell, whose term expires 1972; John A. Chalker, term to expire 1971; Carl C. Peterson, term to expire 1970; David Greer, term to expire 1969; Raymond D. Douglass, term to expire 1968. Then the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Commander ex-officio, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. and Gordon C. Player.

Courteously yours, and signed by the members of the Nominating Committee, Harold Sprague, Louis Beaudoin, Alfred C. Blake.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: For the purpose of election I am going to turn the Grand Commandery over to R.E. Sir Alfred C. Blake.

R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake now presiding.)

R. E. SIR RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS: R. E. Sir, may I propose the motion to you. I move we accept the nomination of Gordon C. Player for Grand Commander.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: Is the motion seconded? (Motion seconded) Is there any other nomination? If not, I will accept a motion that the nominations be closed and the Grand Recorder cast one ballot.

A SIR KNIGHT: So move. (Motion seconded)

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: Unless I hear opposition the motion is carried. Do you all agree? If so, manifest by the usual sign. Contrary minded. It is a vote.

Now does anyone wish to make a further motion at this point?

R. E. SIR LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN: R. E. Sir, I would like to move that the entire slate as outlined by the Nominating Committee be accepted and that the rules be suspended and the Treasurer or Recorder cast one vote for the entire slate.

E. SIR CARL MITCHELL: Second the motion.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: Motion made and seconded. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the motion as made manifest in the usual sign. Contrary minded. It is a vote. Sir Knight Grand Recorder, have you cast the necessary ballot, I trust?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I have cast the necessary ballot for the Sir Knights as listed on the report of the Nominating Committee for the officers of: V. E. Deputy Grand Commander, Norman L. Staveley; E. Grand Generalissimo, Jack Richard Baker; E. Grand Captain General, Elmer H. Palmer; Treasurer, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.; Recorder, G. Burton Long; Trustee of the Grand Fund for three years, Hubert M. Bernard Jr.; the Educational Committee, Robert E. Powell 1972, John A. Chalker 1971, Carl C. Peterson 1970, David Greer 1969, Raymond D. Douglass 1968, and under the Constitutional rules Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. and Gordon C. Player both members of this Committee ex-officio, all of whom have accepted.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: That I believe, concludes my duties which were foisted on me at the last moment to preside in the East for election. So, R. E. Sir, I guess you come back for a few moments but not for long..

GRAND COMMANDER NOW IN COMMAND

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Might I add one parting note before you finally disappear. As your last duty before retiring from office or at least as one of your last duties I move you, Sir, that all of the acts of the Officers and Committees of this Grand Commandery for the fiscal year 1966-67 be ratified and approved.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: Second the motion.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: That is a very important motion and I hope it prevails. You have heard the motion Sir Knights. All those in favor of its adoption will extend the sword arm. Down hands. Opposed, the bridle arm. It is a vote and so ordered. We will now continue with the Installation of Officers.

R. E. SIR RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS: Gordon, it is a privilege for me to participate in this. I have to admit

we have looked forward to the time you would occupy this position and I am sure it is my pleasure to take part in this ceremony. Will the other Officers chosen, both elected and appointed, assemble here in the East.

E. SIR THOMAS C. BROWN: R. E. Past Grand Commander, the duly chosen Officers of this Grand Commandery are ready to be installed for the ensuing year.

(Following prayer by the Grand Prelate the oath of office was administered by R. E. Sir Raymond D. Douglass.)

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ROBERT P. BEACH, C.P.A.

Courteously yours,

G. BURTON LONG, *Grand Recorder*

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E. Sir George M. Sanford, Jr. No. 50

R. E. SIR RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS: Thank you. R. E. Grand Commander, it has been a privilege to go through the procedure of putting you into your office legally. So now we will turn the Grand Commandery over to you and I assure everyone here that it is in the finest hands possible.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, Sir.

Sir Knights, I want to thank you for this honor that you have conferred upon me and I hope by the help of God and all you Sir Knights that come next September at our annual meeting I will be able to tell you how great this honor has been. For only by accomplishing something can this be a great honor and with the Officers that we have in line and all the Sir Knights I hope and know they will work to the fullest of their abilities and we have a successful year.

I want to thank R. E. Sir Ray Douglass and E. Sir Tom Brown for filling in at short notice. I think they did a wonderful job as the installing suite.

I want to thank the Sir Knights from Newburyport Commandery, eleven of them who came down to be the escort for the day. Thank you, Sir Knights.

Sir Knights, we have much planned for the coming year and, as R. E. Robert Gardiner Wilson has stated, we have to shorten this thing up and this is what we hope to do this coming year. We have a workshop planned for each Division. This will take place within the next two months. We have four Exemplifications planned and we are going to have some York Rite Nights. Sir Knights, we are going to keep you busy and we hope you will cooperate so we will have a successful year. Thank you.

Burt, do you have anything else left on your desk?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: The only thing, R. E. Sir, is having obtained all of the Rituals they are now available at this desk to be reassigned and if those effected will come up, we will get the Rituals in their hands before they leave. Thank you.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: How about my big speech?

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: Oh, yes, would you ask the Grand Captain of the Guard to escort R. E. Sir Blake to the East.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: I can get there.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Would you conduct R. E. Sir Al Blake to the East.

R. E. SIR ALFED C. BLAKE: Thank you very much for the long trip. Don't sit down yet, Sir. Will you present the Junior Past Grand Commander, R. E. Sir George C. Patton, Jr. to the East.

E. SIR ELMER H. PALMER: R. E. Sir, I have the pleasure to present our Junior Past Grand Commander.

R. E. SIR ALRED C. BLAKE: George, having put you in line I guess some eight or nine years ago, it might be of some interest to you to know that as far as I am concerned I never regretted the appointment.

I know as you look back over this past year you have had your triumphs and you have had your disappointments. All your predecessors have been through the same experience. You can't hit a home run every time but I would say by and large your batting average was very good.

Now in view of the fact that I did go through the motion at least of appointing you it is my pleasant duty to see that you are decorated properly.

Here are some shoulder straps that I know you will take a great deal of pleasure in wearing. Here is what looks to be a brand new Past Grand Commander's jewel. Now, where would you like me to put that if I can find a spot.

Now, George, I know that this is a very serious, solemn occasion for you, as it was to all of your predecessors. As I told you earlier in the day you are leaving with very mixed feelings. You are glad it is all over but you are going to be extremely sorry that it is. George, it is wonderful to have this opportunity.

R. E. SIR GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.: Thank you, R. E. Sir, and I would like to say now to all the Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery how grateful I am for their thoughts and cooperation.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Before I forget it I want to thank you, R. E. Sir Al, for presiding in the East during the election.

R. E. SIR G. BURTON LONG: I would like to call your attention to two things. First, the Past Commanders' Association meeting stated on your notice will meet in Ionic Hall. This is an error. It will meet in the little hall, I believe it is Doric, where we customarily leave our clothes. St. Paul's Chapter has this for their annual meeting this evening.

Now speaking of the Past Commanders' Association may I call attention to the Presiding Commanders Association and to the Commanders-elect that this Association is open to Commanders-elect. They assume that if you are elected you will be installed and therefore should there be anyone in this room who desires to join that association, which will hold its meeting at five p.m., I suggest that you see Chester Parsons or any other Past Commander.

Thank you, R. E. Sir.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: E. Grand Warder, you will retire and ascertain if the Credentials committee have their final report.

E. SIR WILLIAM TURNER: R. E. Grand Commander, there are 40 Commanderies represented with 167 Sir Knights.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. E. Grand Warder, you will inform the E. Grand Sentinel that I am about to adjourn this Grand Commnadery.

E. SIR JAMES P. McCORMICK: R. E. Grand Commander, your order has been obeyed.

(The 164th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars, Inc. and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island adjourned in ample form with prayer by the Grand Prelate at 3:45 P.M.)

Respectfully

G. Burton Long

Grand Recorder

ADDENDA

Precedence of Grand Commanderies Based Upon the Date of Their Respective Organizations

1. MASSACHUETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.....May 6, 1805
2. NEW YORK .....June 18, 1814
3. VIRGINIA .....Nov. 27, 1823
4. VERMONT .....June 27, 1824
5. NEW HAMPSHIRE .....June 13, 1826
6. CONNECTICUT .....Sept. 13, 1827
7. OHIO .....Oct. 24, 1843
8. KENTUCKY .....Oct. 15, 1847
9. MAINE .....May 5, 1852
10. PENNSYLVANIA .....April 12, 1854
11. INDIANA .....May 16, 1854
12. TEXAS .....Jan. 18, 1855
13. MISSISSIPPI .....Jan. 21, 1857
14. MICHIGAN .....April 7, 1857
15. ILLINOIS .....Oct. 27, 1857
16. CALIFORNIA .....Aug. 10, 1858
17. TENNESSEE .....Oct. 12, 1859
18. WISCONSIN .....Oct. 20, 1859
19. NEW JERSEY .....Feb. 14, 1860
20. GEORGIA .....April 25, 1860
21. MISSOURI .....May 22, 1860
22. ALABAMA .....Nov. 29, 1860
23. LOUISIANA .....Feb. 12, 1864
24. IOWA .....June 6, 1864
25. MINNESOTA .....Oct. 23, 1865
26. KANSAS .....Dec. 29, 1868
27. MARYLAND .....Jan. 23, 1871
28. NEBRASKA .....Dec. 27, 1871
29. ARKANSAS .....Mar. 23, 1872
30. WEST VIRGINIA .....Feb. 25, 1874
31. COLORADO .....Mar. 14, 1876
32. NORTH CAROLINA .....May 10, 1881
33. SOUTH DAKOTA .....May 14, 1884
34. OREGON .....April 13, 1887
35. WASHINGTON .....June 2, 1887
36. WYOMING .....Mar. 7, 1888
37. MONTANA .....May 14, 1888
38. NORTH DAKOTA .....June 16, 1890
39. ARIZONA .....Nov. 16, 1893
40. FLORIDA .....Aug. 15, 1895
41. *INDIAN TERRITORY .....Dec. 27, 1895
42. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA .....Jan. 14, 1896
43. *OKLAHOMA .....Feb. 10, 1896
44. NEW MEXICO .....Aug. 21, 1901
45. IDAHO .....Aug. 31, 1904
46. SOUTH CAROLINA .....Mar. 25, 1907
47. UTAH .....April 20, 1910
48. NEVADA .....April 15, 1918

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GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICIAL INSPECTIONS

Name of Commandery	No.	Members Present	Visitors	Suite	Total	Annual Dues	Life Members	Date of Inspection	Mark	Inspecting Officer
St. John's	1	76	15	36	127	7.00	140.00	Feb. 2, 1967	9+	Jack R. Baker
Boston	2	148	15	42	205	10.00	150.00	Nov. 16, 1967	9+	Norman L. Staveley
Newburyport	3	81	15	50	146	10.00	150.00	Jan. 19, 1967	9+	Elmer H. Palmer
Washington	4	25	2	22	49	6.00	90.00	May 17, 1967	9+	Jack R. Baker
Worcester County	5	131	12	22	165	10.00	150.00	April 6, 1967	10—	James C. Sirios
Springfield	6	90	4	16	110	10.00	150.00	April 3, 1967	9	Norman L. Staveley
De Molay	7	252	3	44	299	10.00	150.00	Nov. 23, 1966	10—	Norman L. Staveley
Holy Sepulchre	8	46	2	23	71	10.00	200.00	Mar. 10, 1967	9+	Thorsten B. Lind
Pilgrim	9	76	31	14	121	11.00	275.00	Feb. 21, 1967	10—	Elmer H. Palmer
Palestine	10	44	3	17	64	10.00	150.00	Nov. 9, 1966	9	Karsten H. Sandmo
Milford	11	45	11	31	87	9.00	135.00	Jan. 24, 1967	10—	Thorsten B. Lind
St. Bernard	12	60	1	8	69	40.00	750.00	Feb. 8, 1967	9++	Norman L. Staveley
Calvary	13	74	4	31	109	9.00	135.00	Mar. 21, 1967	9+	Jack R. Baker
Haverhill	14	109	7	39	155	8.00	120.00	Apr. 4, 1967	10—	Elmer H. Palmer
Old Colony	15	50	10	22	82	5.00	75.00	Nov. 28, 1966	9++	L. Raymond Wyatt
Sutton	16	155	1	31	187	7.00	105.00	Dec. 1, 1966	9+	Jack R. Baker
Bethany	17	44	6	27	77	10.00	150.00	Jan. 30, 1967	9	Elmer H. Palmer
Winslow Lewis	18	44	3	16	63	8.00	160.00	Mar. 16, 1967	9	Elmer H. Palmer
Jerusalem	19	77	18	49	144	10.00	150.00	Apr. 29, 1967	10—	James C. Sirios
Hugh De Payens	20	120	18	60	198	12.00	240.00	Apr. 12, 1967	9++	Karsten H. Sandmo
St. Omer	21	65	0	31	96	8.00	120.00	Nov. 21, 1966	9++	Norman L. Staveley
Berkshire	22	91	1	29	111	6.00	90.00	Apr. 10, 1967	9	Jack R. Baker
Connecticut Valley	23	17	5	26	48	8.50	127.50	Nov. 29, 1967	9	Karsten H. Sandmo
Woonsocket	24	52	0	18	70	9.00	75.00	Feb. 14, 1967	9+	Thorsten B. Lind
Godfrey De Bouillon	25	37	0	18	55	7.00	150.00	Jan. 18, 1967	9	Jack R. Baker
Joseph Warren	26	34	5	36	75	10.00	150.00	May 2, 1967	9	L. Raymond Wyatt
Narragansett	27	50	5	19	74	5.00	75.00	Mar. 1, 1967	10—	Jack R. Baker
Bristol	29	82	7	32	121	6.00	90.00	Feb. 3, 1967	9++	Thorsten B. Lind
Northampton	30	44	6	22	72	8.00	120.00	Jan. 23, 1967	9++	Elmer H. Palmer
South Shore	31	41	3	20	64	8.00	120.00	Mar. 23, 1967	9+	L. Raymond Wyatt
Trinity	32	42	2	13	57	6.00	150.00	Mar. 15, 1967	9	James C. Sirios
Natick	33	91	10	52	153	9.00	150.00	Mar. 13, 1967	10—	James C. Sirios
Coeur De Lion	34	116	21	47	184	7.00	105.00	Feb. 2, 1967	10—	Gordon C. Player
Gethsemane	35	82	7	34	123	12.00	180.00	Feb. 28, 1967	9++	Norman L. Staveley
Olivet	36	74	30	5	109	7.00	150.00	Nov. 10, 1966	9++	Karsten H. Sandmo
Athol	37	47	3	14	64	7.00	120.00	Mar. 8, 1967	9+	James C. Sirios
Bay State	38	89	2	19	110	9.00	75.00	May 15, 1967	9++	L. Raymond Wyatt
Cyprus	39	26	0	0	26	7.00	105.00	Feb. 23, 1967	9++	L. Raymond Wyatt
St. Paul	40	33	3	27	63	10.00	150.00	May 12, 1967	9	Thorsten B. Lind
Beauseant	41	67	11	34	112	8.00	240.00	Feb. 27, 1967	9+	Jack R. Baker
Cambridge	42	38	5	31	74	10.00	200.00	May 23, 1967	9—	Norman L. Staveley
Bethlehem	43	46	0	25	71	9.50	237.50	Dec. 12, 1966	10—	Elmer H. Palmer
Orange	45	28	4	14	46	6.00	90.00	Feb. 24, 1967	9+	L. Raymond Wyatt
Ivanhoe	46	66	20	37	123	7.00	105.00	Nov. 3, 1966	10—	James C. Sirios
Quincy	47	77	2	27	106	12.00	180.00	Mar. 27, 1967	9	L. Raymond Wyatt
Temple	48	37	5	31	73	6.00	120.00	Dec. 8, 1966	9	Thorsten B. Lind
St. Andrew	49	44	6	17	67	9.00	135.00	Apr. 17, 1967	9	L. Raymond Wyatt
Reading	50	98	32	66	196	10.00	200.00	Jan. 9, 1967	10—	Karsten H. Sandmo
Thomas Smith Webb	51	56	12	32	100	10.00	150.00	Nov. 18, 1966	10—	Jack R. Baker
Sir Galahad	52	51	6	32	89	9.00	120.00	Mar. 20, 1967	9+	James C. Sirios

GRAND COMMANDERY STATISTICS

Name of Commandery	No.	Membership Last Year	Membership This Year	Admitted	Affiliated	Reinstated	Dimitted	Suspended	Errors	Died	Fees at $7.00	Per Capita at $1.23	G. E. Eye Assessment	Total
St. John's	1	490	470	7	0	0	1	4	0	22	49.00	578.10	450.00	1,077.10
Boston	2	1,059	1,014	9	1	3	8	8	0	42	63.00	1,247.22	1,043.00	2,353.22
Newburyport	3	309	315	6	2	1	1	0	0	2	42.00	387.45	294.00	723.45
Washington	4	85	84	2	2	0	1	0	0	4	14.00	103.32	83.00	200.32
Worcester County	5	646	621	12	0	0	9	7	0	21	84.00	763.83	617.00	1,464.83
Springfield	6	434	446	28	0	1	8	0	0	9	196.00	548.58	405.00	1,149.58
De Molay	7	846	846	26	2	3	12	10	0	9	182.00	1,040.58	821.00	2,043.58
Holy Sepulchre	8	294	282	3	0	0	1	0	0	14	21.00	346.86	263.00	630.86
Pilgrim	9	304	299	2	0	1	3	0	0	4	14.00	367.77	284.00	665.77
Palestine	10	168	166	3	0	1	2	0	0	5	21.00	204.18	162.00	387.18
Milford	11	161	158	2	0	1	0	0	0	6	14.00	194.34	151.00	359.34
St. Bernard	12	96	97	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	21.00	119.31	43.00	183.31
Calvary	13	457	431	8	0	0	1	3	0	25	56.00	530.13	396.00	982.13
Haverhill	14	371	354	7	0	0	5	4	0	15	49.00	435.42	331.00	815.42
Old Colony	15	208	208	11	0	2	4	2	0	7	77.00	255.84	197.00	529.84
Sutton	16	506	511	23	0	1	5	1	0	13	161.00	628.53	491.00	1,280.53
Bethany	17	138	143	8	0	1	1	1	0	2	56.00	175.89	135.00	366.89
Winslow Lewis	18	188	191	11	0	0	1	0	0	7	77.00	234.93	180.00	491.93
Jerusalem	19	288	277	5	0	1	1	3	0	13	35.00	340.71	262.00	637.71
Hugh De Payens	20	471	457	13	0	0	8	0	0	14	91.00	562.11	444.00	1,097.11
St. Omer	21	228	225	5	0	0	2	5	0	6	35.00	276.75	218.00	529.75
Berkshire	22	318	312	6	0	1	4	0	0	6	42.00	383.76	274.00	699.76
Connecticut Valley	23	103	101	6	0	0	4	2	0	3	42.00	124.23	102.00	268.23
Woonsocket	24	149	148	7	0	0	2	3	0	3	49.00	182.04	141.00	372.04
Godfrey De Bouillon	25	119	116	2	0	2	0	4	0	3	14.00	142.68	115.00	271.68
Joseph Warren	26	122	117	1	0	0	1	0	0	5	7.00	143.91	108.00	258.91
Narragansett	27	181	175	2	0	0	7	0	0	7	14.00	215.25	173.00	402.25
Bristol	29	292	283	7	0	0	7	3	0	6	49.00	348.09	280.00	677.09
Northampton	30	119	121	6	0	0	0	1	0	3	42.00	148.83	115.00	305.83
South Shore	31	148	147	5	0	0	1	1	0	4	35.00	180.81	134.00	349.81
Trinity	32	210	216	12	1	0	2	0	0	4	84.00	265.68	210.00	559.68
Natick	33	325	326	20	1	1	5	10	0	6	140.00	400.98	271.00	811.98
Coeur De Lion	34	407	418	22	1	1	3	3	0	7	154.00	514.14	346.00	1,014.14
Gethsemane	35	409	389	2	0	3	6	5	1	14	14.00	478.47	379.00	871.47
Olivet	36	403	380	5	0	0	6	3	0	19	35.00	467.40	388.00	890.40
Athol	37	141	137	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	.....	168.51	136.00	304.51
Bay State	38	354	363	15	1	0	0	0	0	7	105.00	446.49	338.00	889.49
Cyprus	39	158	158	6	0	0	1	1	0	4	42.00	194.34	130.00	366.34
St. Paul	40	129	125	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	14.00	153.75	122.00	289.75
Beauseant	41	296	296	8	0	1	1	0	0	8	56.00	364.08	268.00	688.08
Cambridge	42	143	136	2	0	0	3	1	0	5	14.00	167.28	117.00	298.28
Bethlehem	43	175	169	5	0	0	3	2	0	5	35.00	207.87	158.00	400.87
Orange	45	71	65	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	.....	79.95	70.00	149.95
Ivanhoe	46	224	215	2	0	0	6	0	0	5	14.00	264.45	204.00	482.45
Quincy	47	228	220	4	0	0	1	0	0	11	28.00	270.60	204.00	502.60
Temple	48	216	218	10	0	0	4	0	0	4	70.00	268.14	208.00	546.14
St. Andrew	49	175	168	1	0	0	2	0	0	6	7.00	206.64	160.00	373.64
Reading	50	342	331	4	0	0	5	0	0	10	28.00	407.13	293.00	728.13
Thomas Smith Webb	51	186	196	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	84.00	241.08	154.00	479.08
Sir Galahad	52	175	166	2	0	0	3	0	2	8	14.00	204.18	167.00	385.18
Total		14,065	13,807	370	13	24	153	101	1	410	2,590.00	16,982.61	13,035.00	32,607.61

CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

Name of Commandery	No.	Location of Commandery	Date of Charter	Stated Conclave	Election of Officers	Annual Conclave	Installation
St. John's	1	Providence, R. I.	Oct. 7, 1805	1st Mon.	June	Oct.	Oct.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1806	3rd Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	May 19, 1808	3rd Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	June 7, 1814	3rd Wed.	June	June	June
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	Dec. 17, 1824	1st Thurs.	June	June	June
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	June 19, 1826	1st Mon.	June	June	June
DeMolay	7	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1848	4th Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	Oct. 10, 1848	3rd Fri.	June	June	June
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1855	4th Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	2nd Wed.	May	May	May
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	4th Tues.	June	June	June
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	2nd Wed.	May	May	May
Calvary	13	Providence, R. I.	May 22, 1860	3rd Tues	June	Sept.	Sept.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	May 13, 1863	2nd Tues.	June	June	June
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	Oct. 26, 1863	4th Mon.	June	June	Sept.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Mar. 4, 1864	1st Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	June 1, 1864	Last Mon.	May	May	Sept.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1865	3rd Thurs.	June	Oct.	Oct.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Mar. 8, 1865	3rd Thurs.	June	June	Sept.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	Mar. 27, 1865	2nd Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Sept. 30, 1865	3rd Mon.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	Dec. 22, 1865	2nd Mon.	June	June	June
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	May 22, 1866	1st Tues.	June	June	June
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	Jan. 31, 1867	2nd Tues.	June	June	June
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	May 29, 1868	3rd Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Jan. 1, 1869	1st Mon.	June	June	June
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	May 12, 1869	1st Wed.	June	June	Oct.
*William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	May 12, 1870				
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	May 28, 1870	1st Fri.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	June 2, 1870	4th Mon.	June	June	June
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	June 9, 1870	4th Thurs.	June	June	Sept.
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	April 7, 1871	3rd Wed.	June	June	Sept.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	April 12, 1871	2nd Mon.	June	June	Oct.
Coeur de Lion	34	Medford, Mass.	Oct. 14, 1871	3rd Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	May 20, 1872	4th Tues.	June	June	June
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	Mar. 13, 1873	2nd Thurs.	June	June	Sept.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	June 7, 1873	2nd Wed.	June	June	June
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	Sept. 13, 1873	3rd Mon.	June	June	
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1873	4th Thurs.	May	Sept.	Sept.
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Jan. 19, 1882	2nd Fri.	June	June	June
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	Oct. 20, 1886	4th Mon.	June	June	June
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	May 28, 1890	4th Tues.	June	June	Sept.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	Oct. 29, 1890	2nd Mon.	June	Sept.	Sept.
†St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	Oct. 23, 1892				
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	Oct. 26, 1893	Last Fri.	June	June	June
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1896	1st Thurs.	June	June	June
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	Feb. 20, 1911	4th Mon.	June	June	June
Temple	48	Norwood, Mass.	Oct. 22, 1919	2nd Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
St. Andrew	49	Holyoke, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1920	3rd Mon.	June	June	June
Reading	50	Reading, Mass.	Jan. 14, 1921	2nd Mon.	June	June	June
Thomas Smith Webb	51	Cranston, R. I.	May 6, 1921	3rd Fri.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Sir Galahad	52	Waltham, Mass.	May 31, 1922	3rd Mon.	June	June	Sept.
‡Winthrop	53	Winthrop, Mass.	June 21, 1924				

* Consolidated with Boston Commandery February 21, 1940.
† Charter arrested July 17, 1945.
‡ Consolidated with Boston Commandery February 20, 1952.

ADDRESSES OF RECORDERS OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

Commandery	No.	Recorder	Address
St. John's	1	Elmer H. Palmer	1401 S. Co. Trail, E. Greenwish, R.I. 02818
Boston	2	Robert Gardiner Wilson Jr.	73 Tremont St., Boston, Mass. 02108
Newburyport	3	William H. Carter	10 Columbus Av., Newburyport, Mass. 01950
Washington	4	Karl E. Falkenholm	72 Boulevard, Middletown, R. I. 02843
Worcester County	5	Lester W. Grant	19 Conger Road, Worcester, Mass. 01602
Springfield	6	Frederick W. DeWitt	574 Main St., Wilbraham, Mass. 01095
DeMolay	7	Chester G. Parsons	P. O. Box 21, Wellesley, Mass. 02181
Holy Sepulchre	8	Arthur L. Wilbur	28 Farnum St., Pawtucket, R. I. 02861
Pilgrim	9	Maxwell McGaw Ellis	27 S. Loring St., Lowell, Mass. 01851
Palestine	10	Frank E. Milley	165 Grove St., Chelsea, Mass. 02150
Milford	11	Harry C. York	Bates St., Mendon, Mass. 01756
St. Bernard	12	Chester W. Eaton	1363 Highland Av., Needham, Mass. 02192
Calvary	13	Daniel E. Verry, Sr.	731 Narragansett Pkwy., Warwick, R.I. 02888
Haverhill	14	Arthur Hayden	19 N. Hampshire Av., Haverhill, Mass. 01832
Old Colony	15	William E. Cookson	38 Center Ave., Abington, Mass. 02351
Sutton	16	Kenneth D. Bertram	105 Brigham St., New Bedford, Mass. 02740
Bethany	17	Joseph R. Remick	112 Lowell St., Methuen, Mass. 01844
Winslow Lewis	18	Stuart E. Lauckner	176 Burrill St., Swampscott, Mass. 01907
Jerusalem	19	Harvey H. Goodwin	32 Washington St., Leominster, Mass. 01453
Hugh de Payens	20	Donald H. Hatheway	90 Walton Park, Melrose, Mass. 02176
St. Omer	21	Allen Campbell	28 Redlands Rd., W. Roxbury, Mass. 02132
Berkshire	22	Karl Olavi Lepisto	P. O. Box 1094, Pittsfield, Mass. 01201
Connecticut Valley	23	Arthur K. York	119 leveland St., Greenfield, Mass. 01301
Woonsocket	24	Lloyd C. Arnold	172 Great Rd., Woonsocket, R.I. 02895
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Warren P. Hathaway	651 N. Boston Rd., Fall River, Mass. 02720
Joseph Warren	26	Ernest J. Comi	1 Pagoda St., Milton 86, Mass. 02186
Narragansett	27	William R. Patterson, Jr.	86 Wells St., Westerly, R. I. 02891
Bristol	29	Donald F. Freberg	20 larner St., Pawtucket, R. I. 02861
Northampton	30	Armand J. Costa	179 Northampton Rd., Amherst, Mass. 01002
South Shore	31	William J. Williams	16 Nickerson Rd., E. Braintree, Mass. 02184
Trinity	32	Allan B. Waters	P. O. Box 68, Sterling Junction, Mass. 01564
Natick	33	John M. Tassey	7 Dewey St., Natick, Mass. 01760
Coeur de Lion	34	Carroll H. Tiffany	22 Bellevue St., Medford 55, Mass. 02155
Gethsemane	35	John C. Hawkins	98 Edwardel Rd., Needham, Mass. 02192
Olivet	36	Frank A. McPhee	50 Clearview Ave., E. Lynn, Mass. 01904
Athol	37	Richard B. Wallwork	141 Riverview Ave., Athol, Mass. 01331
Bay State	38	Albert M. Greiner	18 Sylvia Ave., Brockton, Mass. 02401
Cyprus	39	Chester Leo Crawford	9 Trimount St., Dedhom, Mass. 02026
St. Paul	40	Carleton E. Perry	1428 Mass. Ave., No. Adams, Mass. 01247
Beauseant	41	Robert L. Doney	11 Payne Terrace, Malden, Mass. 02148
Cambridge	42	Irving C. Langley	580 School St., Belmont, Mass. 02178
Bethlehem	43	Harold W. Adams	33 Pigeon Hill St., Rockport, Mass. 01966
Orange	45	Joseph Prentiss	71 W. River St., Orange, Mass. 01364
Ivanhoe	46	Albert E. Hill	86 Summit Ave., Gardner, Mass. 01442
Quincy	47	Clark H. Overhiser	5 Farm Hills Lane, Hingham, Mass. 02043
Temple	48	George M. Ellis	575 High St., Westwood, Mass. 02090
St. Andrew	49	Robert Donald Davis	32 River Terrace, Holyoke, Mass. 01041
Reading	50	Harold Francis Davis, Sr.	17 Forest Glen Road, Reading, Mass. 01867
Thomas Smith Webb	51	John B. Cornell	948 Seven Mile Rd., Hope, R. I. 02831
Sir Galahad	52	Gerald A. Young	30 Caldwell Road, Waltham, Mass. 02154

GRAND COMMANDERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Term of Office	Grand Commander	Member of Commandery	No.	Term of Office	Grand Commander	Member of Commandery	No.
1805—1818	*Thomas Smith Webb	St. John's	1	1889—1890	*James Swords	Hugh de Payens	20
1818—1820	*William Wilkinson	St. John's	1	1890—1891	*John P. Sanborn	Washington	4
1820—1826	*Henry Fowle	Boston	2	1891—1892	*Robert H. Chamberlain	Worcester County	5
1826—1829	*John Carlile	St. John's	1	1892—1893	*William H. H. Soule	St. Omer	21
1829—1832	*John J. Loring	Boston	2	1893—1894	*Charles C. Fry	Olivet	36
1832—1833	*Robert Lash	Boston	2	1894—1895	*Samuel C. Lawrence	Boston	2
1833—1835	*Edward A. Raymond	Boston	2	1895—1896	*Eugene H. Richards	Boston	2
1835—1837	*Araham A. Dame	Boston	2	1896—1897	*William R. Walker	Holy Sepulchre	8
1837—1839	*John Hews	Boston	2	1897—1898	*Walter Cutting	Berkshire	22
1839—1842	*Charles W. Moore	Boston	2	1898—1899	*George L. Shepley	St. John's	1
1842—1845	*John Flint	Boston	2	1899—1900	*Herbert F. Morse	Joseph Warren	26
1845—1847	*John B. Hammatt	Boston	2	1900—1901	*Winthrop Messenger	Hugh de Payens	20
1847—1848	*Ruel Baker	Boston	2	1901—1902	*George E. Hilton	Olivet	36
1848—1851	*John R. Bradford	Boston	2	1902—1903	*George H. Kenyon	Calvary	13
1851—1854	*James Hutchison	Holy Sepulchre	8	1903—1904	*Freeman C. Hersey	Winslow Lewis	18
1854—1856	*Simon W. Robinson	DeMolay	7	1904—1905	*Dana J. Flanders	Haverhill	14
1856—1858	*Daniel Harwood	Boston	2	1905—1906	*Edwin A. Blodgett	Springfield	6
1858—1860	*Winslow Lewis	Boston	2	1906—1907	*E. Bentley Young	Joseph Warren	26
1860—1862	*William Field	St. John's	1	1907—1908	*Charles I. Litchfield	Boston	2
1862—1863	*William Ellison	Boston	2	1908—1909	*John D. Munroe	Godfrey de Bouillon	25
1863—1865	*William S. Gardner	Pilgrim	9	1909—1910	*Walter W. Burnham	St. John's	1
1865—1867	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	St. John's	1	1910—1911	*J. Albert Blake	Winslow Lewis	18
1867—1869	*William W. Baker	St. Bernard	12	1911—1912	*Lafayette G. Blair	Cambridge	42
1869—1871	*Benjamin Dean	St. Omer	21	1912—1913	*Frank L. Nagle	Gethsemane	35
1871—1873	*Nicholas Van Slyck	Calvary	13	1913—1914	*William W. Johnson	Worcester County	5
1873—1875	*Charles A. Stott	Pilgrim	9	1914—1915	*Walter F. Medding	Beauseant	41
1875—1877	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	St. John's	1	1915—1916	*Frederick I. Dana	Calvary	13
1877—1879	*John Dean	Worcester County	5	1916—1917	*Samuel D. Sherwood	Springfield	6
1879—1880	*Nelson W. Aldrich	Calvary	13	1917—1918	*William H. Emerson	Bay State	38
1880—1882	*William H. Kent	Coeur de Lion	34	1918—1919	*William J. Bolton	Athol	37
1882—1884	*Caleb Saunders	Bethany	17	1919—1920	*Everett C. Benton	St. Bernard	12
1884—1885	*Charles C. Hutchinson	Pilgrim	9	1920—1921	Harry G. Pollard	Pilgrim	9
1885—1886	*George H. Burnham	St. John's	1	1921—1922	*Henry C. Dexter	Holy Sepulchre	8
1886—1887	*Edward P. Chapin	Springfield	6	1922—1923	*James S. Blake	Boston	2
1887—1888	*George H. Allen	Olivet	36	1923—1924	*Charles R. Hunt	Sutton	16
1888—1889	*Edward L. Freeman	Holy Sepulchre	8	1924—1925	*Asa C. Jewett	Gethsemane	35

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Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Term of Office	Grand Commander	Member of Commandery	No.	Term of Office	Grand Commander	Member of Commandery	No.
1925—1926	*Clarence M. Dunbar	Bristol	29	1945—1946	Frank H. Wilson	Hugh de Payens	20
1926—1927	James A. Gunn	Connecticut Valley	23	1946—1947	Harold S. Crocker	Bay State	38
1927—1928	*Norris G. Abbott	St. John's	1	1947—1948	*George A. Weeks	St. Omer	21
1928—1929	*Clarence E. Burleigh	DeMolay	7	1948—1949	*A. Kenneth Martin	South Shore	31
1929—1930	*Charles F. White	Beauseant	41	1949—1950	Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.	Boston	2
1930—1931	*Frederick H. Briggs	Boston	2	1950—1951	*J. Herbert Hinds	Quincy	47
1931—1932	*Benjamin F. Downing	Washington	4	1951—1952	Charles F. Fairbanks 2nd	Pilgrim	9
1932—1933	*George L. Dodd	Joseph Warren	26	1952—1953	*Frederic Kennedy	Natick	33
1933—1934	William S. Hamilton	St. Paul	40	1953—1954	*Harrie M. Taft	Calvary	13
1934—1935	*Arthur S. Vaughn	St. John's	1	1954—1955	Kenneth H. Earle	St. John's	1
1935—1936	Harold W. Sprague	Bay State	38	1955—1956	Mortimer W. Schroeder	Beauseant	41
1936—1937	*Charles T. Converse	Springfield	6	1956—1957	Thomas A. Booth	Sutton	16
1937—1937	*George T. Everett	DeMolay	7	1957—1958	Dwight C. Page	Worcester County	5
1937—1938	*Adelbert E. Place	Calvary	13	1958—1959	Alfred C. Blake	Boston	2
1938—1939	*Harrison Hyslop	Gethsemane	35	1959—1960	*Elliott N. Holley	DeMolay	7
1939—1940	*Arthur A. A. Stewart	Pilgrim	9	1960—1961	*Clarence E. Booth	Jerusalem	19
1940—1941	*John E. Rines	Haverhill	14	1961—1962	Raymond D. Douglass	St. Bernard	12
1941—1942	*Arlan M. Spencer	Orange	45	1962—1963	*William F. West	Calvary	13
1942—1943	*William O. Tuckerman	Cyprus	39	1963—1964	Louis A. Beaudoin	Gethsemane	35
1943—1944	George B. Sampson	St. Andrew	49	1964—1965	Russell R. Long	Olivet	36
1944—1945	*C. Lester Marston	Coeur de Lion	34	1965—1966	G. Benson Low	Reading	50
				1966—1967	George C. Patton, Jr.	Hugh de Payens	20

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THE AMERICAN ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment

	Names	Years	Residence	Died
1	DeWitt Clinton	1816-1828	New York, N. Y.	Feb. 11, 1828
2	Jonathan Nye	1829-1834	Claremont, N. H.	April 1, 1843
3	James Madison Allen	1835-1844	Cayuga, N. Y.	
4	Archibald Bull	1844-1846	Troy, N. Y.	Dec. 22, 1865
5	William B. Hubbard	1847-1858	Columbus, Ohio	Jan. 5, 1866
6	Benjamin B. French	1859-1864	Washington, D. C.	Aug. 12, 1870
7	Henry L. Palmer	1865-1867	Milwaukee, Wis.	May 7, 1909
8	William Sewall Gardner	1868-1870	Newton, Mass.	Oct. 14, 1887
9	John Q. A. Fellows	1871-1873	New Orleans, La.	Nov. 28, 1897
10	James H. Hopkins	1874-1876	Pittsburgh, Pa.	June 18, 1904
11	Vincent L. Hurlbut	1877-1879	Chicago, Ill.	July 24, 1896
12	Benjamin Dean	1880-1882	Boston, Mass.	April 9, 1897
13	Robert E. Withers	1883-1885	Wytheville, Va.	Sept. 21, 1907
14	Charles Roome	1886-1889	New York	June 28, 1890
15	John P. S. Gobin	1889-1892	Lebanon, Pa.	May 1, 1910
16	Hugh McCurdy	1892-1895	Corunna, Mich.	July 16, 1908
17	Warren LaRue Thomas	1895-1898	Maysville, Ky.	Nov. 23, 1914
18	Reuben Hedly Lloyd	1898-1901	San Francisco, Cal.	Mar. 10, 1909
19	Henry Bates Stoddard	1901-1904	Bryan, Texas	May 29, 1925
20	Geo. Mayhew Moulton	1904-1907	Chicago, Illinois	July 24, 1927
21	Henry Warren Rugg	1907-1910	Providence, R. I.	July 21, 1910
22	Wm. Bromwell Melish	1910-1913	Cincinnati, Ohio	Oct. 21, 1927
23	Arthur MacArthur	1913-1914	Troy, New York	Dec. 27, 1914
24	Lee S. Smith	1914-1919	Pittsburgh, Pa.	April 6, 1926
25	Joseph K. Orr	1919-1922	Atlanta, Georgia	Sept. 18, 1938
26	Leonidas P. Newby	1922-1925	Knightstown, Ind.	Oct. 25, 1945
27	George W. Vallery	1925-1928	Denver, Colo.	Dec. 20, 1933
28	William L. Sharp	1928-1931	Chicago, Ill.	Dec. 22, 1950
29	Percy W. Weidner	1931-1932	Los Angeles, Cal.	Aug. 16, 1932
30	Harry C. Walker	1932-1932	Binghamton, N. Y.	Nov. 2, 1932
31	Andrew D. Agnew	1932-1937	Milwaukee, Wis.	Dec. 29, 1951
32	Mark Norris	1937-1940	Grand Rapids, Mich.	May 31, 1943
33	Harry G. Pollard	1940-1943	Lowell, Mass.	
34	Charles Noah Orr	1943-1946	St. Paul, Minn.	Jan. 10, 1949
35	John Temple Rice	1946-1949	El Paso, Texas	
36	Robert Brainerd Gaylord	1949-1952	San Francisco, Cal.	Aug. 4, 1953
37	William Catron Gordon	1952-1955	Marshall, Mo.	Jan. 10, 1959
38	Walter A. DeLamater	1955-1958	Rhinebeck, New York	
39	Louis Henry Wieber	1958-1961	Cleveland, Ohio	May 30, 1964
40	Paul Miller Moore	1961-1964	Aliquippa, Pa.	April 8, 1966
41	Wilber Marion Brucker	1964-1967	Detroit, Michigan	
42	John Lawton Crofts, Sr.	1967-	Nokomis, Florida	

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THE ANCIENT ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

The 9 Knights who organized the Order in 1118 A.D.

Hugh de Payens	Payens de Montidier
Godfrey de Saint Aldemar	Archibald de Saint Aman
Roral	Andre de Montbar
Gundemar	Count of Provence
Godfrey Bisol	

Grand Masters from Its Origin to the Death of DeMolay

		A.D.			A.D.
1	Hugh de Payens	1118	14	Philip de Plessis	1201
2	Robert of Burgundy	1139	15	William de Carnota	1217
3	Everard de Barri	1147	16	Peter de Montagu	1218
4	Bernard de Trenellape	1151	17	Armand de Petragrossa	1229
5	Bertrand de Blanchefort	1154	18	Herman de Petragrorius	1237
6	Andrew de Montbar	1165	19	William de Rupefort	1244
7	Philip of Napius	1169	20	William de Sonnac	1247
8	Odo de St. Amand	1171	21	Reginald Vichierius	1250
9	Arnold de Troye	1180	22	Thomas Beraud	1257
10	John Terricus	1185	23	William de Beaujeau	1274
11	Gerard Ridefort	1187	24	Rheobald Gaudinius	1291
12	Robert Sablaeus	1191	25	Jacques de Molay	1298
13	Robert Gralius	1196		DeMolay died in 1314.	

CHRONOLOGY—YORK RITE

The following dates are adopted by the various bodies of Masonry. Dates are carried out for the year 1967.

Ancient Craft Masons date from the creation of the world, B. C. 4000, calling it *Anno Lucis* (Year of Light). Hence add 4000 to common time, A. D. 1967 = A. L. 5967.

Royal Arch Masons date from the beginning of the building of the Second Temple by Zerubbabel, B. C. 530, calling it *Anno Inventionis* (Year of Discovery). Hence add 530 to common time. A. D. 1967 = A. I. 2497.

Royal and Select Masters refer to the completion of the First Temple, B. C. 1000, calling it *Anno Depositionis* (Year of the Deposit). Hence add 1000 to common time. A. D. 1967 = A. Dep. 2967.

Knights Templar date from the founding of the Order, A. D. 1118, calling it *Anno Ordinis*. Hence subtract 1118 from common time. A. D. 1967 = A. O. 849.

Grand Commander of Knights Templar, Inc.
and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OFFERING AND GOOD CHEER

THE GIFT OF LOVE

"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16

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Boston, November 1, 1966, A. O. 848

To the Eminent Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery.

GREETINGS:

Again draws near the joyous day commemorating the birth of our Lord and the Saviour of the World. It is my great pleasure to extend to every Sir Knight, their families and loved ones, my heartfelt wishes for a Christmas full of joy and blessings and a most successful and happy New Year.

The great wealth of Templar Masonry is in its universal desire to help others—to bring happiness and peace of mind to the unfortunate and joy to little children. Isn't it wonderful to know that no matter what amount you feel that you can afford, it will most certainly help someone less fortunate to enjoy happiness at Christmas? You may join in this good work as liberally as you can by contributing to your own Commandery's Christmas and Good Cheer Fund. This fund will be expended in its entirety for this purpose alone under the direction of your own Eminent Commander.

Where there is Faith, there is Love.
Where there is Love, there is Peace.
Where there is Peace, there is Christ.
Where there is Christ, there is no Need.

This, my first Official Order, is to be read at the head of the Lines at the Conclave immediately following its receipt and the results reported to me on forms furnished by the Grand Recorder's office not later than January 16, 1967.

Given under my hand and seal of this Grand Commandery on the first day of November, nineteen hundred sixty-six, A. O. 848.

Courteously yours,
GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.,
Grand Commander.

(SEAL)
Attest:
G. BURTON LONG,
Grand Recorder.

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KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE

Em. Sir Karston Sandmo.

OFFICIAL LETTER No. 1 August 19, 1966
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To All Division Commanders, Eminent Commanders, Recorders and Marking Officers:

SIR KNIGHTS:

It is my desire that all possible publicity be given to the following:

The EXEMPLIFICATIONS this year will be held in only three (3) districts. Commanderies composing these districts, dates exemplifications will be held, Host Commandery and Grand Commandery Officer to act as Inspecting Officer are as follows:

No. 1—NOVEMBER 5, 1966—SATURDAY

Host—Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8—Sir Kt. Alfred W. Bosworth, Jr., Em. Commander.

Inspecting Officer in charge—Sir Kt. James C. Sirios, Em. Grand Standard Bearer.

Participating Commanderies—St. John's, No. 1; Washington, No. 4; DeMolay, No. 7; Holy Sepulchre, No. 8; Milford, No. 11; Calvary, No. 13; Old Colony, No. 15; Sutton, No. 16; St. Omer, No. 21; Woonsocket, No. 24; Godfrey de Boullon, No. 25; Narragansett, No. 27; Bristol, No. 29; Olivet, No. 36; Bay State, No. 38; Temple, No. 48; Thos. Smith Webb, No. 51.

NO. 2—DECEMBER 3, 1966—SATURDAY

Host—Northampton Commandery No. 30—Sir Kt. Charles L. Blanchard, Em. Commander.

Inspecting Officer in charge—Sir Kt., Em. Grand Captain of Guard.

Participating Commanderies—Springfield, No. 6; Jerusalem, No. 19; Berkshire, No. 22; Conn. Valley, No. 23; Northampton, No. 30; Athol, No. 37; St. Paul, No. 40; Orange, No. 45; Ivanhoe, No. 46; St. Andrew, No. 49.

NO. 3—JANUARY 7, 1967—SATURDAY

Host—Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20—Sir Kt. Lester W. Bowen, Em. Commander.

Inspecting Officer in charge—Sir Kt. Karsten H. Sandmo, Em. Grand Senior Warden.

Participating Commanderies—Boston, No. 2; Newburyport, No. 3; Worcester County, No. 5; Pilgrim, No. 9; Palestine, No. 10; St. Bernard, No. 12; Haverhill, No. 14; Bethany, No. 17; Winslow Lewis, No. 18; Hugh de Payens, No. 20; Joseph Warren, No. 26; South Shore, No. 31; Trinity, No. 32; Natick, No. 33; Coeur de Lion, No. 34; Gethsemane, No. 35; Cyprus, No. 39; Beauseant, No. 41; Cambridge, No. 42; Bethlehem, No. 43; Quincy, No. 47; Reading, No. 50; Sir Galahad, No. 52.

IMPORTANT—Commanderies Nos. 2, 10, 23, 43, and 46 have been assigned to Exemplifications after their inspections, it is hoped that their Generalissimo's will make every effort to have their Officers and Guard attend. These Commanderies are invited and earnestly requested to attend the Exemplification Team's rehearsals at Natick Masonic Temple, Monday, October 24th, and Monday, October 31st, to see the work and to ask questions.

Registration will be at 1:30 P.M. Exemplification begins at 2:00 P.M. Sharp. Work to be completed before 5:00 P.M.

Work will be under the direction of the Inspector Instructor, with a selected Team exemplifying: The Full Form Opening, Reception of Inspecting Officer, Inspection and Review, 5th Libation, Attributes and Banners. This will be THE WORK REQUIRED THIS YEAR AT INSPECTIONS. There will be time set aside for corrections as well as questions and answers.

Line officers of Participating Commanderies are expected to attend with the Top Five Officers in Full Dress Uniform with side Arms. The Wardens WILL BE EXPECTED TO FILL THE 1st and 3rd DIVISIONS. Please bring your Guard with you.

Officers and members of other Commanderies are welcome to any or all the meetings.

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No. 50—Reading, 1-9-67
No. 12—St. Bernard, 2-8-67
No. 35—Gethsemane, 2-28-67
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No. 23—Conn. Valley, 11-29-66
No. 52—Sir Galahad, 3-20-67
No. 11—Milford, 1-24-67
No. 45—Orange, 2-24-67
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No. 1—St. John's, 2-11-67
No. 34—Coeur de Lion, 2-18-67
No. 27—Narragansett, 3-1-67
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No. 29—Bristol, 2-3-67
No. 41—Beauseant, 2-27-67
No. 18—Winslow Lewis, 3-16-67
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No. 6—Springfield, 4-3-67
No. 22—Berkshire, 4-10-67
No. 49—St. Andrew, 4-17-67
No. 19—Jerusalem, 4-20-67
No. 40—St. Paul, 5-12-67

Courteously yours,

GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.,
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SPECIAL NETTER No. 1 March 13, 1967
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To Eminent Commanders and Recorders:

MEMBERSHIP

Last month, through the medium of the Templar you were advised as to the plan of action we are taking as a means toward building our membership. You were also apprised of the name and address of the Membership Committeeman to whom you will look for advice and assistance. The Committeemen are anxious to help in every way possible and it is hoped that each Membership Chairman will keep in close touch with his Grand Commandery representative.

Each Commandery Membership Chairman should receive from his Grand Commandery Membership Committeeman a list of all Blue Lodges and Chapters within his Commandery's Jurisdiction. With this information in hand, the local Membership Committees will work toward obtaining a committment from a member of each Lodge and Chapter to furnish the Grand Commandery office with the monthly notices. The Grand Commandery office requests the name, address and telephone number of those persons who agree to assist.

It is apparent that the work done in the individual Commanderies will determine the degree of our success in this undertaking. As has been said many times before, the meaningful work must be done at the local level.

The Grand Recorder has done a prodigious amount of work to make the initiation of this program possible and the Grand Commander has given his full support. It is, therefore, earnestly requested that each Commandery get behind this effort without reservation. It is realized that maximum results cannot be achieved in a few weeks or months but considerable progress has already been made and this is encouraging.

If any Commandery *does not* receive the above mentioned list of Lodges and Chapters, please advise me direct and it will be forwarded without delay.

One more word on demits and suspensions.

EMINENT COMMANDERS: (1) Please advise the Grand Recorder of all demits granted by you during your term of office.

(2) Please persist in working on your members who are delinquent in payment of dues so that suspensions at the end of the year will be held to a minimum.

Herein lies the answer to our success or failure for the year.

(From Grand Encampment General Order No. 11)

"The Commander is required by Templar law to supervise all Officers and functions of his Commandery and should review the status of his members. He should without fail, follow our established procedures of appointing a Committee, one of whom if possible should be a signor of his petition who will make a personal call upon the delinquent member. The Commander should never hesitate to call upon the delinquent member if it might save him for Templary. The Grand Master recognizes that appropriate action is long overdue to deal with the subject of suspensions and we must all assist . . . the state officers who are sincerely trying to do their duty."

RALPH L. CONNOLLY
Chairman of Membership

P.S. I thought the above items of such interest and importance that it was not included in the March Templar, but is mailed to you separately for your personal attention.

Courteously yours,

G. BURTON LONG,
Grand Recorder.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN No. 1
Series 1967-1968

Boston, Mass., February 9, 1967

To the Grand Commandery Officers, Commanders and Recorders:

Re: EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE—Sunday, March 26, 1967

SIR KNIGHTS:

Enclosed is a reproduction of the letter sent by the Committee on the EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

I have been directed by our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight George C. Patton, Jr., to advise you that it is his desire that you carry the following on your Stated Conclave Notice:

"The thirty-seventh ANNUAL ARLINGTON EASTER SUNRISE MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held in the Amphitheatre of the Arlington National Cemetery on Easter Sunday Morning, March 26, 1967. The assembly, in Full Templar Uniform, will form at 7:00 A.M. SHARP at the West Gate of Cemetery (near Fort Myers). Music will be furnished by the U. S. Marine Band and arrangements are being made to have the service broadcast on a nation-wide radio net-work. The address on this occasion will be delivered by the Reverend Howard R. Towne, D.D., Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, an outstanding speaker."

The Committee extends to you a very cordial invitation to participate and requests that you give this invitation all possible publicity. Remember, if we fail to support this outstanding Christian Memorial Service, there is another group, who for years, have been seeking the privilege of sponsoring a similar service.

Division Commanders will give the above all publicity possible in their respective divisions.

Courteously yours,

G. BURTON LONG,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Committee on Arlington Easter Sunrise Memorial Service

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February 1, 1967

To Grand Encampment Officers and Committeemen, Grand Commanders, Deputy Grand Commanders and Grand Recorders:

Arrangements are being made for the thirty-seventh Annual Arlington Easter Sunrise Memorial Service to be held under the auspices of the Grand Encampment. The Service will begin promptly at 7:30 a. m. in the Amphitheater of Arlington National Cemetery on Easter Sunday morning, March 26, 1967. The assembly in full Templar uniform will form at 7:00 o'clock sharp at the West Gate of the Cemetery (near Fort Myer). The lines will move promptly at 7:10 a. m. for the march to the Amphitheater.

The ceremony of laying the traditional Cross of Lilies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers will conclude the Service. Music will be furnished by the U. S. Marine Band and arrangements are being made to have the Service broadcast on a nation-wide radio network.

The address on this occasion will be delivered by The Rev. Howard R. Towne, D.D., Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, an outstanding speaker.

A very cordial invitation is extended to you to participate, and the Committee especially requests that you give this invitation all possible publicity in your Grand Jurisdiction. Reserved seats will be provided for those accompanying you not in uniform, upon request.

The Committee will be happy to make hotel reservations for Sir Knights and their party at the Washington and Willard Hotels, but as hotel accommodations are at a premium during the Easter Season, I urge you to let us know as soon as possible should you desire us to make reservations for you. However, in the event that other arrangements are made by the Sir Knights direct, we must be notified in order to provide tickets to the Service for those not in uniform, and transportation for those who may need it.

This Service will be the final one in the Triennium of our Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker, and his own Commandery, Detroit No. 1, will honor him, by attending in unprecedented numbers, and by an important pre-Easter activity on Saturday, March 25th, which is announced in detail by the accompanying letter from the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia.

After the Service the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia will sponsor a breakfast (about 9:30 a. m.) for the Sir Knights and their ladies, at the Willard Hotel, next door to the Washington Hotel. Tickets are $2.85 each, and we shall be glad to send you tickets if you will forward to me at the above address your check for the required amount made payable to The Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, D. C.

We are looking forward to greeting you and as many of your Sir Knights as can possibly be present.

Courteously yours,

HARRY L. BEACH, P. G. C.
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